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Both examples of spurtedness resulted from what were previously expected to be routine reports and applications and alerted councilmen who up to that time had been busily engaged in casual acceptance of paid bills, committee reports, and reading of the minutes.

Appointment of a special committee to investigate the taxi fares in Pottstown, in regard to their adherence to Public Utility commission regulations and their excessiveness if any, over those of other similar communities, followed vehement comments by borough officials and councilmen, after the borough secretary added for a routine acceptance of Calvin D. Harp's application to the PUC for transfer of the City Cab company.

Burgess William A. Griffith stood up before council, following the reading of the application, and commented: "I think this may be the time to inform council that I have been wondering of late about the taxi rates in Pottstown."

Borough Solicitor C. Edmund Wells then pointed out that, since the application for transfer must come before the PUC this Friday, "perhaps we should have a committee to look at other town's rates and if they find them less than ours, to make a report to the PUC."

The Burgess agreed with Wells' recommendation, and Wells added that after the committee acquires all information needed, due to the time limit, a special council meeting might be called.

G. Roy Bush, president of council, recommended that the entire affair be placed in the hands of the finance committee.

Wells then suggested that all the information, when compiled, should be presented at the PUC meeting.

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"At the present time," he continued, "in the case of Pottstown, they could contribute it all to the school board as they are in much greater need for additional revenue than is the borough."

Boden told the committee that less than 1 percent of the appeals on the new assessments have been allowed by the Board of Tax Revision and Appeals in Norristown.

It was pointed out that the idea of voluntary contributions to local governments by tax exempt organizations is not new. Many concerns in lower Mont-cocy county do contribute large sums to their local government. (Continued on Page Seven)

Optimist Club Plans Future Quiz Program

A quiz program and plans to invite boys of the Boys' Optimist Photo club to the next Optimist club meeting were made last night at the weekly meeting of the club.

Under discussion was a proposition to incorporate the boys' organization into the Optimist club when it elects officers for its group. A committee was appointed to make plans for this unification.

Thirty members attended and Dr. A. A. Gallo, president, was in charge.

Cotton Exchange Riff Ends, Strike 'Off'

NEW YORK, March 4 (AP)—Arthur S. Meyer, chairman of the State board of mediation, announced late tonight that an agreement had been reached between union and management officials to end the strike of Cotton Exchange workers and that the exchange would open tomorrow morning.

Meyer made his announcement after a mediation session of nearly six hours.

Meyer said the agreement reached would "form the basis for a final contract" between the union and management officials of the exchange.

He said the tentative agreement signed tonight by exchange officials and representatives of the union, Local 205 of the Office Employees International union, AFL, included these points:

A bonus plan for all employees other than building service workers, a five-day 40-hour work week for building service employees, and provisions for maintenance of membership and a checkoff system for collection of union dues.

Meyer made no mention of agreement on the union's wage demands.

NO COMMENT ON ROMANCE ROME, March 4 (AP)—Rear Adm. Ellery W. Stone, chief of the Italian military affairs section of Allied Forces headquarters who was divorced by a Reno decree last week, said today he had "no comment at this time" on reports he was seeking Vatican approval to marry Italian Baroness Renata Raborio Melia di Santella.

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Ambvets Pick New Committees, Plan to Form Women's Auxiliary

Committees for finance, membership, athletics and the Amvets ball to be given May 30 were appointed last night at a meeting of the Amvets.

On the finance committee are: Paul Lysoy and Douglas Yeagle, co-chairmen; Joseph Keene, Carroll Bechtel, Gerald Prior, Robert Hock and John Yonkovich.

The committee for the ball on May 30 at an unspecified place consists of: Wilfred Becker, chairman; George Blonker, Byron Hunsberger and Ralph Wentzel.

On the athletic committee, which will sponsor a baseball team to be entered in the City League are: Glenn Shoemaker, chairman; Eugene Kauler and Gordon Roesch.

Membership committee has for its members: Bruce Davis, Warren Hooper and George Long.

The Women's Auxiliary, which will be organized later and will be composed of wives of members, has for its chairman Anna Levingood an ex-Wac.

Four representatives of the local chapter will go to the Amvets Department Executive committee meeting in Harrisburg on March 23. They are William Whitman, commander, Norman John, Gerald Prior and John Yonkovich.

Howard Johnson's feature speedy luncheons from 11 a. m. to 3 p. m. Income Tax Service W. E. Dames Co., 378 High St. Furniture Repaired, Phone 2763-J. John M. Johnson, 146 High, 2nd fl. Diamonds and Wedding Rings. Charles Longacre, Bahr Arcade. Dr. E. Kohn, Strand Bldg. Has Resumes, Office Hours.

74 Mumps Cases Listed In West Pottsgrove

A record number of mumps cases were reported in West Pottsgrove for the month of February. John A. Naylor, health officer, told members of the West Pottsgrove Board of Health at a regular monthly meeting last night in Naylor's home.

Naylor's report listed 74 cases of mumps, two cases of scarlet fever, two cases of chicken pox and one case of measles.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rather cloudy and not quite so cold today.

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He said, however, "The final decisions will rest with the President and the Congress." He promised that Mr. Truman would explain fully and soon whatever action the administration had in mind.

The note from the anti-Communist Athens regime was dated March 3 and said that for Greece to survive, she must have: Money to buy food and clothing; help in again becoming self-supporting; American experts and administrators to guide the use of aid that is extended.

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3. Rep. Smith (R-Ohio) opposed the idea of helping Britain in its Greek problem. He said in a House speech that the United States could help "dampen the fires of Communism" better by shutting off aid to various foreign peoples.

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The ceremonies witnessed by two presidents at the sun-baked national stadium were marred when two persons were killed and four injured in the crush of the crowd.

Fifty-six children were separated from their parents as thousands sought to force their way into the stadium which was jammed to its 15,000 capacity. These children were being cared

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Four others were revived by Red Cross ambulance crews after being trampled and asphyxiated. They are: Victoria Perez, 49; Brigid Olivo, 8; Teresa Mejia, 70; and Carlos Yanez, 6.

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COUNTRY ROADS REMAIN CLOSED

Most Main Highways Cleared of Snow; Warm Temperatures Predicted

Rural area residents continued to be the principal sufferers of the weather yesterday as secondary roads almost generally remained closed even though most main highways were opened.

Pierce winds kept their lash on Pottstown yesterday, making the above-freezing temperatures feel colder than they were and causing some drifting. The mercury climbed as high as 39 in the middle of the afternoon, melting some of the white blanket which had swathed the area for the past three days.

March will begin to look more like a lamb today. The weatherman predicts warmer temperatures but continued cloudiness.

Highway department officials in the Chester and Montgomery county seats said last night that the task of opening arterial roads had been almost completed but secondary thoroughfares still were generally impassable.

Meanwhile, icy streets and pavements kept pedestrians in teetering anxiety.

Max Weiss of 1312 South street, a High street merchant, was a victim of the glassy conditions Monday afternoon.

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"When these organizations reach the point where they become big business and begin to own other properties and large amounts of cash or bonds, however," he went on, "they should voluntarily contribute to the borough or to the school board an amount equivalent to what they would have to pay, even though they are not legally bound to do so."

"At the present time," he continued, "in the case of Pottstown, they could contribute it all to the school board, as they are in much greater need for additional revenue than is the borough."

Boden told the committee that less than 1 percent of the appeals on the new assessments have been allowed by the Board of Tax Revision and Appeals in Norristown.

It was pointed out that the idea of voluntary contributions to local governments by tax exempt organizations is not new. Many concerns in lower Montgomery county do contribute large sums to their local governments.

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Cotton Exchange Rift Ends, Strike 'Off'

NEW YORK, March 4 (AP)—Arthur S. Meyer, chairman of the State board of mediation, announced late tonight that an agreement had been reached between union and management officials to end the strike of Cotton Exchange workers and that the exchange would open tomorrow morning.

Meyer made his announcement after a mediation session of nearly six hours.

Meyer said the agreement reached would "form the basis for a final contract" between the union and management officials of the exchange.

He said the tentative agreement signed tonight by exchange officials and representatives of the union, Local 205 of the Office Employees International union, AFL, included these points:

A bonus plan for all employees other than building service workers, a five-day 40-hour work week for building service employees, and provisions for maintenance of membership and a checkoff system for collection of union dues.

Meyer made no mention of agreement on the union's wage demands.

ROME, March 4 (AP)—Rear Adm. Ellery W. Stone, chief of the Italian military affairs section of Allied Forces headquarters who was divorced by a Reno decree last week, said today he had "no comment" at this time on reports he was seeking Vatican approval to marry Italian Baroness Renata Raborio Mella di Santella.

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Optimist Club Plans Future Quiz Program

A quiz program and plans to invite boys of the Boy Optimist Photo club to the next Optimist club meeting were made last night at the weekly meeting of the club.

Under discussion was a proposition to incorporate the boys' organization into the Optimist club when it elects officers for its group. A committee has been appointed to make plans for this unification.

Thirty members attended and Dr. A. A. Gallo, president, was in charge.

Amvets Pick New Committees, Plan to Form Women's Auxiliary

Committees for finance, membership, athletics and the Amvet ball to be given May 30 were appointed last night at a meeting of the Amvets.

On the finance committee are: Paul Lysoy and Douglas Yeagle, co-chairmen; Joseph Keene, Carroll Bechtel, Gerald Prior, Robert Houck and John Yonkovich.

The committee for the ball on May 30 at an unspecified place consists of: Wilfred Becker, chairman; George Slonaker, Byron Hunsberger and Ralph Wentzel.

On the athletic committee, which will sponsor a baseball team to be

entered in the City league are: Glenn Shollenberger, chairman; Eugene Kauler and Gordon Rhoads.

Membership committee has for its members: Bruce Davies, Warren Hoover and George Long.

The Women's auxiliary, which will be organized later and will be composed of wives of members, has for its chairman Anna Levensgood, an ex-Wac.

Four representatives of the local chapter will go to the Amvets Department Executive committee meeting in Harrisburg on March 23. They are William Whitman, commander, Norman John, Gerald Prior and John Yonkovich.

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Tax Account 'Write-Offs' To Be Passed Upon by Solicitor, Councilmen Agree

The parliamentary and routine business of borough counciling was enlivened last night when councilmen went on record as protesting en masse the taxi fares in the borough, and when words mixed in a spirited discussion over the 1946 tax write-offs.

Both examples of spiritedness resulted from what were previously expected to be routine reports and applications, and alerted councilmen who up to that time had been briefly engaged in casual acceptance of paid bills, committee reports, and reading of the minutes.

Appointment of a special committee to investigate the taxi fares in Pottstown, in regards to their adherence to Public Utility commission regulations and their excessiveness if any, over those of other similar communities, followed vehement comments by borough officials and councilmen, after the borough secretary asked for a routine acceptance of Calvin D. Harp's application to the PUC for transfer of the City Cab company.

Burgess William A. Griffith stood up before council, following the reading of the application, and commented: "I think this may be the time to inform council that I have been wondering of late about the taxi rates in Pottstown."

Borough Solicitor C. Edmund Wells then pointed out that, since the application for transfer must come before the PUC this Friday, "perhaps we should have a committee to look at other town's rates, and if they find them less than ours, to make a report to the PUC."

The Burgess agreed with Wells' recommendation, and Wells added that after the committee acquires all information needed, that, due to the time limit, a special council meeting might be called.

C. Roy Bush, president of council, recommended that the entire affair be placed in the hands of the finance committee.

Wells then suggested that all the information, when compiled, should be presented at the PUC meeting. The transfer will probably not be affected by the information," he said, "but at least, if the rates are found exorbitant, we will go on record as saying so, and that will leave us with a foundation for later arguments before the commission."

The Burgess said that he felt it was "proper for us to make a complaint with the commission, since the rates seem mighty steep at this time."

Bush told council that possibly it had better forget about any ac-

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Lions View Slides Of War-Torn Areas

A series of color picture slides taken by Eli Stoltzfus, of Phoenixville, when he went to visit the grave of his Army Air Corps son in Belgium, were shown last night at a meeting of the Lions club.

The pictures were taken in France, Belgium, Holland and Italy and showed scenes of the devastated areas produced by the war and also more usual tourist shots.

One slide was of the gilded statue of Joan of Arc in Paris, a miraculous survivor of the German occupation. Stoltzfus explained that all other metal statues in Paris had been torn down for melting, but that one was allowed to stand because Joan of Arc had once fought the British.

Most dramatic of the pictures were those taken of the Bastogne area in Belgium which received a severe pounding in the war.

It was announced that three basketball games, sponsored by the Lions club, would be played Friday night starting at 7:30 o'clock at the Junior High school gymnasium.

ON THE MAIN DRAG

JACK ELICKER —officiating a basketball game.

AL MAUGER —explaining something to his wife.

GEORGE BRILE —giving a friend a lift.

WALT MC CURDY —trying to speed things up.

BETTY SIDON —forgetting a receipt.

DAVE COLLEDGE —dreaming of California.

RALPH H. SPARE —naming names.

MARKIE SHANER —trampling through the snow.

LIN MOYER —answering a phone.

France, Great Britain Pen Pact To Check Future German Menace

DUNKERQUE, France, March 4 (AP)—A treaty binding France and Great Britain to act jointly against any possible future aggression by Germany and pledging the two countries to a 50-year alliance was signed here today by foreign minister Ernest Bevin and Georges Bidault.

The pact also calls for mutual action by Great Britain in the event Germany defaults in any of the economic obligations imposed in her surrender or in the forthcoming German peace settlement.

The two countries, under the treaty's terms, also will "take all possible steps to promote the prosperity and economic security" of each other.

All the pact's provisions, the text stated explicitly, are subject to the provisions of the charter of the United Nations.

Bevin and Bidault affixed their signatures to the pact in the tiny Dunkerque sub-prefecture building, the largest structure still standing in the devastated city where, in 1940, the Nazi army inflicted on Britain her greatest defeat of World War II.

A joint statement of the foreign ministers after the ceremony said: "The Anglo-French treaty of alliance is signed."

74 Mumps Cases Listed In West Pottsgrove

A record number of mumps cases was reported in West Pottsgrove for the month of February. John A. Naylor, health officer, told members of the West Pottsgrove Board of Health at a regular monthly meeting last night in Naylor's home.

Naylor's report listed 74 cases of mumps, two cases of scarlet fever, two cases of chicken pox and one case of measles.

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For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rather cloudy and not quite so cold today.

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TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperatures yesterday and early this morning were:

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Own Torpedo Sank Submarine Tang, Navy Discloses

NEW YORK, March 4 (AP) — The tragic story of the submarine Tang, blown up with a loss of 58 lives or one of its own torpedoes which boomeranged at the end of a record-making Pacific patrol in 1944, was described in detail by a Navy officer today.

Vice Adm. Charles A. Lockwood, Navy inspector general, told the annual convention of the Institute of Radio Engineers how the Tang's 24th and last torpedo, fired at a Japanese transport, circled back and struck the submarine itself.

When the accident occurred, the Tang had just completed a raid off the China coast in which she sank 110,000 tons of Japanese shipping, described by the Navy as "the highest sinking score on a single patrol of any submarine in the war."

Commander Dick O'Kane, skipper of the submarine and one of nine survivors, said in his report, which was quoted by Lockwood, that "one consolation for those of us who were washed off the bridge into the water was the explosion of our 23rd torpedo against the last target which immediately settled by the stern."

O'Kane described how he followed the 24th torpedo on its phosphorescent wake as it made the half circle. The commander said "almost instantly I rank up emergency full speed" but the torpedo crashed into the submarine 20 seconds after it had been fired.

"The tops were blown off the after ballast tanks and the three after compartments flooded instantly," he said. "The Tang sank so rapidly that there was insufficient time even to carry out the last order to close the hatches."

The nine survivors were captured by the Japanese and later released.

Identity Stressed In Taproom Sales

HARRISBURG, March 4 (AP) — Patrons of Pennsylvania taprooms would be required to present their voters' registration cards as proof of age upon request of bartenders under provisions of a bill approved by a Senate committee today.

The measure, sponsored by Senator A. H. Lettler (R-Clearfield), is designed to prevent minors from being served alcoholic beverages.

Children Discover Body of Athlete

BOSTON, March 4 (AP) — The body of Sylvester Gardner, 22-year-old socially prominent Harvard university athlete missing since Jan. 23, was found today in a lagoon off the Charles river.

Children noticed the body floating in the water and identification was made by the father, former Gov. William Tudor Gardner of Maine.

Medical examiner William Brickley said the young man was wearing skates and that he believed Gardner was skating when he went through a patch of thin ice.

A junior at Harvard, Sylvester was on the football team and the Crimson crew.

He was with the Army in the European theater during the war as a machine gunner and returned to resume his studies for the Spring term a year ago.

The young man's disappearance was not known immediately as the family had felt he might have taken a trip after his mid-year examinations.

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News Censorship Feared in China; Paper Suspended

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Foreign correspondents feared censorship of the Chinese press might follow and some predicted complete suppression of criticism of the government. The Sin Min Wan Pao, Shanghai newspaper published by liberal interests of the government's own party, the Kuomintang, was suspended for one day for publishing a poem "Hymn of Hell" that criticized party leaders.

Newsmen expressed fear that this was an indication of things to come in a troubled China, where in the past few days President Chiang Kai-shek has taken over the premier-ship and had himself named chairman of a new national economic council.

Rumors quickly circulated that the independent newspaper, Wen Hui Pao, which has been sincere critical of the government, would be suppressed.

Various foreign news agencies in Shanghai, including Tass (the Russian), were instructed to apply for permission to continue issuing Chinese translations of their news.

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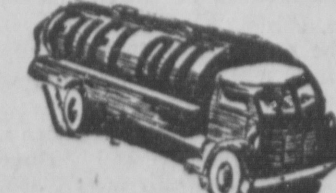
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Own Torpedo Sank Submarine Tang, Navy Discloses

NEW YORK, March 4 (P) — The tragic story of the submarine Tang, blown up with a loss of 78 lives by one of its own torpedoes which boomeranged at the end of a record-making Pacific patrol in 1944, was described in detail by a Navy officer today.

Vice Adm. Charles A. Lockwood, Navy inspector general, told the annual convention of the Institute of Radio Engineers how the Tang's 24th and last torpedo, fired at a Japanese transport, circled back and struck the submarine itself.

When the accident occurred, the Tang had just completed a raid off the China coast in which she sank 110,000 tons of Japanese shipping, described by the Navy as "the highest sinking score on a single patrol of any submarine in the war."

Commander Dick O'Kane, skipper of the submarine and one of nine survivors, said in his report, which was quoted by Lockwood, that "one consolation for those of us who were washed off the bridge into the water was the explosion of our 23rd torpedo against the last target which immediately settled by the stern."

O'Kane described how he followed the 24th torpedo by its phosphorescent wake as it made the half circle. The commander said "almost instantly I rang up emergency full speed" but the torpedo crashed into the submarine 20 seconds after it had been fired.

"The tops were blown off the after ballast tanks and the three after compartments flooded instantly," he said. "The Tang sank so rapidly that there was insufficient time even to carry out the last order to close the hatch."

The nine survivors were captured by the Japanese and later released.


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Identity Stressed In Taproom Sales

HARRISBURG, March 4 (P) — Patrons of Pennsylvania taprooms would be required to present their voters' registration cards as proof of age upon request of bartenders under provisions of a bill approved by a Senate committee today.

The measure, sponsored by Senator A. H. Letzler (R-Clearfield), is designed to prevent minors from being served alcoholic beverages.

Children Discover Body of Athlete

BOSTON, March 4 (P) — The body of Sylvester Gardner, 22-year-old socially prominent Harvard university athlete missing since Jan. 23, was found today in a lagoon off the Charles river.

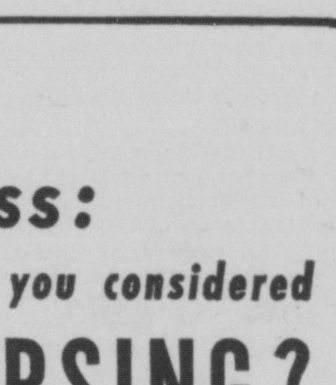
Children noticed the body floating in the water and identification was made by the father, former Gov. William Tudor Gardner of Maine.

Medical examiner William Brickley said the young man was wearing skates and that he believed Gardner was skating when he went through a patch of thin ice.

A junior at Harvard, Sylvester was on the football team and the Crimson crew.

He was with the Army in the European theater during the war as a machine gunner and returned to resume his studies for the Spring term a year ago.

The young man's disappearance was not known immediately as the family had felt he might have taken a trip after his mid-year examinations.


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News Censorship Feared in China; Paper Suspended

SHANGHAI, March 4 (P) — The Chinese government, beset by civil war and economic troubles at home and by uprisings in Formosa that one observer termed a revolution, tightened its press policy today.

Foreign correspondents feared censorship of the Chinese press might follow and some predicted complete suppression of criticism of the government. The Sin Min Wan Pao, Shanghai newspaper published by liberal interests of the government's own party, the Kuomintang, was suspended for one day for publishing a poem "Hymn of Hell" that criticized party leaders.

Newsman expressed fear that that was an indication of things to come in troubled China, where in the past few days President Chiang Kai-shek has taken over the premier's post and had himself named chairman of a new national economic council.

Rumors quickly circulated that the independent newspaper, Wen Hui Pao, which has been sincerely critical of the government, would be suppressed.

Various foreign news agencies in Shanghai, including Tass (the Russian), were instructed to apply for permission to continue issuing Chinese translations of their news.

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Lehigh Consistory Plans Banquet Here March 21

A banquet of Lehigh Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons, will be held Friday evening, March 21, at 6:30 o'clock at the Elks' club. Covers will be laid for a large number of guests from Lehigh and Montgomery counties.

Sewer Bids to Be Opened At Stowe Meeting Tonight

Sealed bids for the proposed sewer-system to be installed in West Pottsgrove will be opened tonight when the West Pottsgrove Commissioners meet in the West End Fire hall at 6:30 o'clock.

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Captured Officers To Be Freed Soon, U. S. Source Says

CHANGCHUN, Manchuria, March 4 (AP)—An American investigator predicted tonight that Chinese Communists would release within 48 hours two captive U. S. officers rather than take them into northern Manchuria where they might observe Communist troop dispositions.

The officer, dispatched by Lt. Gen. Alvan C. Gillem Jr., reported the captors were withdrawing toward the Sungari river, unofficial Communist-government boundary in Manchuria. The Communists are reported to have 100,000 troops deployed north of the river.

The investigator said he has positive proof that Major Robert Riggs and Capt. J. W. Collins have not been harmed since they were seized Saturday while observing a civil war clash 12 miles northeast of here.

Gen. Tu Li-ming, government commander in Manchuria, alerted his troops to watch for Riggs and Collins. There was speculation that they might be freed.

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near Tehh-i, scene of a recent Communist siege.

The investigator flew to Peiping to recommend to Gillem, U. S. commissioner at disbanded truce headquarters, that the United States set up a liaison office at Yen-an, Communist headquarters.

Mrs. Riggs, whose husband once before was held by the Communists, and Mrs. Collins, an expectant mother, said they were cheered by the investigator's report. Both are in Changchun.

The jeep driver and interpreter who accompanied Riggs and Collins to the snowy battlefield escaped under fire. They reported three bullets punctured the wooden top of their jeep and a fourth struck a rear tire, but they were not injured.

The driver, Liu Fung Chih, and interpreter, Chao Hsu-Lin, told correspondents.

Both Riggs and Collins carried firearms. Their jeep was held up about three miles beyond Hsing-lungchan by Communists whom they had assumed were nationalists.

They were ordered to raise their hands, but Collins kept one on the butt of his revolver, causing a sentry to fire into the air. That shot brought 30 or 40 Communists from a nearby village.

The interpreter, fearing he would be killed, crawled to the jeep and he and the driver sped away under fire.

Riggs and Collins were surrounded by bayonet-equipped Communists as the two Chinese fled.

Liu and Chao said the Communists at no time indicated they knew their captives were Americans, although both wore regulation uniforms and the jeep was flying a small U. S. flag.

Business Club Members To Attend Lenten Service
The American Business club will attend the Lenten service of the St. James Lutheran church following its dinner at the Elks' home tonight at 6:15 o'clock.

The group will attend the service in a body. W. J. McCurdy, secretary of the club, announced yesterday. Following the church service, the board of governors and the scout committee of the club will meet at the Elks' home.

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OBITUARIES

MRS. ELLA (SELL) RIGHT-NOUR, 75, of 54 SOUTH HANOVER STREET, died yesterday morning at her home after an illness of three years. She was the widow of Charles J. Rightnour.

Born in Fruitville, she spent all her life in this area. She was a member of Christ Episcopal church. Surviving are nine children: Charles E. of Limerick; William of Bechtelsville; Philip, of Prospect Park; George E. of Star route; Brooke B. of St. Peters; James, at home; Mrs. Elsie Gonder, of Kenilworth; Mrs. Rosa Burkey and Mrs. Cora Takach, both of Pottstown; 26 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Harvey and Edward Sell, of Montclair.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon from a funeral home at 466 North Franklin street by the Rev. George A. Lineker.

Interment will be in Pottstown cemetery, East End.

LANDIS MISSIMER, 77, of 254 PENN STREET, died suddenly at the Pottstown hospital yesterday afternoon. He was the husband of the late Nevada (Miller) Missimer.

He was born in Plymouth Meeting, a son of the late John and Harriet (Sabold) Missimer but had lived in Pottstown most of his life. He was a member of Zion's Reformed church.

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Lightening of Occupation Load Predicted If U. S. Ratifies Four Peace Treaties

WASHINGTON, March 4 (AP)—Secretary of State George C. Marshall and James F. Byrnes testified today that quick approval of peace treaties with Italy, Hungary, Bulgaria and Roumania would speed removal of hundreds of thousands of occupational troops that the United States, England and Russia still maintain in Europe.

After former Secretary of State Byrnes had answered questions of the Senate foreign relations committee for nearly two hours, Chairman Vandenberg (R-Mich.) told reporters:

"I see no substantial congressional opposition (to ratification of the treaties) but I do not like to return a jury verdict until the jury has had a chance to hear all the evidence."

Secretary Marshall stressed the "importance of prompt ratification" of these first postwar treaties as a "start on the road back to peace."

"The treaties were not dictated by the United States," Marshall said. "They were not dictated by any other power; they represent the composite judgment of the nations whose fighting made victory possible."

When ratified, Marshall said, the treaties "will result in the withdrawal of occupation forces from Italy and the ex-satellite states except for a limited number of troops necessary to guard the Soviet communication lines in Hungary and Romania to Austria."

Vandenberg, noting Marshall's heavy duties, warded off questions by his committee men and wished the secretary success at Moscow, where he goes tomorrow to help work out the German peace treaty.

Byrnes, who took Vandenberg and Senator Connally (D-Tex.) along as advisers at the conferences that produced the four treaties, then

summarized these efforts in his quick, confident manner.

Byrnes conceded that from certain viewpoints the treaties might be regarded as "unsatisfactory" and at one point said:

"I have no doubt that each senator can find in the treaties some provision to which he objects."

Byrnes said there would "be no return to normal conditions in Europe until armies of occupation were withdrawn." He termed the treaties an "important, although limited step in the direction of the restoration of peace."

The former secretary estimated that Soviet Russia still had 500,000 occupational troops outside Germany, the United States some 200,000 in all of Europe, including Germany, and Great Britain another 250,000, also including Germany.

Once the treaties are ratified, Byrnes said, the ex-enemy nations may apply for a place in the United Nations. And when that happens,

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Parkerford Musicales To Feature Glee Club
A musicale featuring the Pottstown Senior High school's Mixed Glee club will be held tomorrow night, starting at 8 o'clock, in the Parkerford Brethren church. The event is sponsored by the North Branch Christian Endeavor.

The glee club will sing under the direction of Miss Margaretta Reid, with Merle Baer at the piano. The program also will include selections by a brass ensemble and a hymn sung under the leadership of Robert Pennypacker.

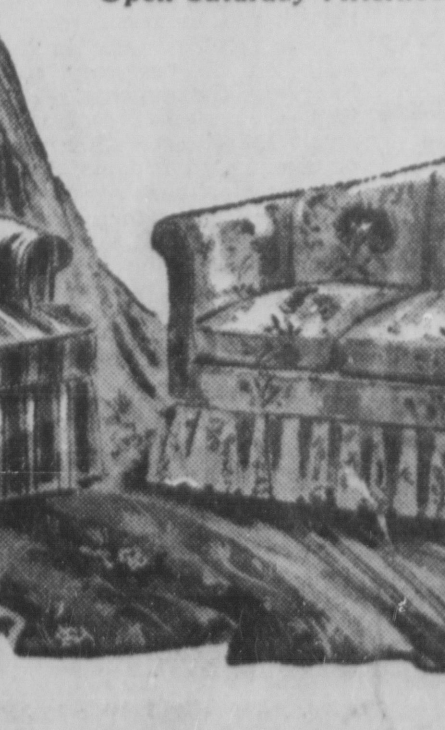
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Police Protection Needed

THE Mercantile Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce has petitioned Pottstown borough council for more high street police protection.

The Mercantile Bureau alleged in its petition that there's a four-hour period in the early morning when ONLY ONE POLICEMAN IS ON DUTY.

Then the Mercantile Bureau pointed to recent early morning burglaries at the Levitz Furniture store, the Lyn-Mar diner (twice), the Sunnyside diner, and the Bell Cleaner. Adding those up, the merchants said: "We want more police protection."

If it is true that ONLY ONE POLICEMAN IS ON DUTY in the early morning hours, then certainly Pottstown merchants deserve greater police protection. High street should be patrolled more diligently by more policemen.

BUT WHAT OF THE OTHER PORTIONS OF TOWN?

If high street is protected by only one policeman in the early morning hours, how many are on duty in the remainder of town? IS THE ANSWER NONE?

If that is the answer, what is to prevent any householder from being murdered in his bed? Why aren't more homes ransacked? And what would happen in case of a calamity?

The Mercantile Bureau should go into the police question thoroughly. Stores require protection. If thieves hear we're such a somnolent town, they'll come in, wrap up high street and carry it away!

What they'll do to residential sections can be surmised. It is no wonder that women fear to walk Pottstown's darkened streets. It is no wonder that Pottstown has had attacks by sex maniacs, by purse snatchers!

If that's all the police protection citizens are afforded, then the borough as a whole, and not only the merchants, should be down around council's ears!

The whole affair begins to smack of mismanagement of the police department. Police, it is true, work long hours. But surely schedules could be so arranged that EVERY PART OF THE TOWN AT ALL HOURS is protected!

This should be done even if more police have to be hired. It's cheaper to lock the stable than to stand the loss after the horse is stolen.

The merchants should go into the police situation deeply. If someone is remiss in his duty, then the evils should be corrected! The police committee should review the requests sincerely, in the interest of community safety.

Ahead of the Times

THE shape of things to come?

Possibly Pottstown's borough council was the sculptor that molded a new form of legislation.

Pottstown decided to tax theater revenues. Theaters have disputed council's right and have taken the issue to law.

But up in Harrisburg, two Republican legislators, Messrs. Livestone and Jump have introduced a bill which would authorize the council of any borough to levy a tax for general revenue purposes upon admissions to every form of entertainment, diversion, sports, recreation or pastime held within the corporate limits.

The bill was referred to the committee on municipal corporations, of which one of Pottstown's representatives, Howard F. Boorse, is chairman.

For Sweeter Tempers

THE Pottstown housewife is going to be considerably mollified by this year's sugar quota. In 1946 she got 25 pounds for each member of the family. This year it will be about 35.

The increase doesn't result so much from political pressure, when nonetheless was considerable. The international emergency food council, which recommends the distribution of available food supplies still insufficient to meet unrestricted demands, finds that increased sugar production this year makes it possible to grant every country at least 10 percent of its prewar average per capita consumption. Three countries, the United States, the United Kingdom and Canada, receive considerably more allocations.

As a result we will have 63 million short tons of sugar (raw basis) as compared to 54 million short tons last year, or an average of 59 pounds per person this year compared to 73 last year. Housewives will be able to get about 35 pounds for each member of the household; the other 18 pounds per capita will be available in the form of candy, soft drinks, and other confections.

Grampaw Oakley

PENKIN CORNERS, March 4.

Editor, The Mercury:

Wah, I see by the papers where a Berlin daily was suspended for 24 hours because an article in it "insulted the French." How times have changed! In the days of Hitler, the editor could have had his choice of medals for that!

A wealthy woman tipped a Bermuda taxi driver \$1600. There's one cabbie who can't complain he never has enough change. And say: It's only natural for a big league pitcher star to sign his new contract with a ball-bearing pen!

Hope you all like the same. GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

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By MERCURY READERS

One Paper Enough

To the Editor: In reply to Mr. Walter Runyon's somewhat snarled letter in Monday's Mercury, the following may clarify some of his advice to The Mercury on selling Pottstown. Beyond everything else a newspaper is a business. If it doesn't make money, it doesn't continue.

How does a paper make money? primarily through advertising and then by circulation. Could Pottstown support evening and Sunday editions? It would take more than the alleged 250 words to explain why not but it was proved not so many years ago when there were two papers in town. That's why there's only one today.

As to expanding the circulation to include all of Montgomery county and four others, I suggest Mr. Runyon talk to any newspaper man to find out the impossibility of this. The Mercury would be backed in two weeks.

Mr. Runyon has offered a challenge to The Mercury. I challenge him to back up his suggestions with acts on how to accomplish them. In connection with local coverage, I further challenge him to mention one event of any significance at all that happened in the area in the past six months that was not reported in The Mercury.

Back up your suggestions, Mr. Runyon, and maybe The Mercury will do something about them.

POTTSTOWN H. G. T.

Washington

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, March 4 — Former Secretary James Francis Brown may be summoned before the House Foreign Affairs Committee to discuss the details of his conversations with British Foreign Minister Bevin over President Truman's Palestine statement on the eve of the 1946 Congressional election.

He also may be questioned on P.D.R.'s letter to Senator Robert F. Wagner a few weeks before the 1944 Presidential contest, a document which won or held many Jewish votes in metropolitan areas.

Members of the House and Senate committees handling international problems admit that they are working in a sort of postwar darkness. Time and again, in considering our relations with foreign countries, especially Britain and Russia, they find that hitherto secret agreements negotiated by P.D.R., Churchill and Stalin tie their hands.

INSIDE: The question which confronts the Republican managers on Capitol Hill now is whether they shall bring these facts, or publicize them and break them. It is a fair guess that the GOP majority on the House and Senate committees would like to make political capital from frank publication of these behind-the-scenes and personal pacts negotiated by the late President but a few Republican, such as Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan and Representative Charles A. Eaton of New Jersey, who head the respective Senate and House committees dealing with foreign troubles, seem to think it best to stay away from a full-dress review of the Roosevelt-Hull program.

RENOMINATION: President Truman has confined to a few close friends on Capitol Hill that he wants and will insist on a renomination next year. Having scrapped most of the Roosevelt-New Deal program, he demands defeat or vindication on his record.

He is told these amiable politicians to arrange their plans accordingly. They must make a bright record for H.S.T. in Congress between now and nominating time 16 months hence.

RUNNING-MATE: Although he has left the door open for last-minute changes it is understood that Senator Alben W. Barkley, minority leader of the upper chamber, is Mr. Truman's choice as a running mate. The Kentuckian has a good, solid reputation as a legislator, and he is the Missouriian's kind of man. He also will operate accordingly, for he knows of the presidential program for 1948.

A Truman-Barkley ticket, from the geographical standpoint, is not ideal, carrying men from such closely related states as Missouri and Kentucky. But the fact is that the Democrats have no powerful or important figures — governors or U. S. Senators — in any of the key eastern, midwestern or far western commonwealths. In those areas they are politically forlorn.

So, as of today, the Democrats' 1948 slate may be used as Truman for President and Barkley for Vice President.

SAFETY: The projected protests already have begun to roll in to the Senate Commerce Committee over Senator Owen Brewster's plan for installing new safety devices, slide or beam at the nation's commercial airports. It appears to be a fight between hometown boomtown promoters and human lives.

The great obstacle in the way of installing any of necessary safety devices has been the expense. It is estimated that the original cost will amount to about \$50,000,000. After making a study of recent air accidents, Senator Brewster has proposed that about \$45,000,000 previously allocated for construction of new airfields be shifted to the glide-and-beam account. He believes that existing fields should be made safe before the building of new landing spots.

FLOWERS LIVING FOR THE CLARE ELAINE WALSH 1307 Queen street BECAUSE her engagement to Charles H. Pfeiffer Jr. Budon drive, has been announced.

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

U. S. and British Unity Isn't a Fantastic Idea

By J. M. ROBERTS JR. (Associated Press Staff Writer)

QUICK recognition by the Administration that the United States must help the British carry their load in the Near East has revived the idea, although the British are doubtful, that world pressures are pushing the English-speaking peoples toward greater interdependence and possibly toward union.

Spokesmen for both the labor and conservative parties have been pushed around by the suggestion by Senator Russell of Georgia — for which he admitted he wasn't very hopeful — that England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland should become American states. But the pressures are there, nevertheless.

Britain's confession that she is unable to maintain her position in Greece without help pushed the rapid approach of a climax in her affairs which has been brewing for a long time, speeded by but not entirely due to the recent wars.

As the industrial age has spread to the rest of the world, Britain has been gradually overtaken in the field which made it possible for one tiny little island to maintain itself first as the center, then as one of the centers, of world commerce. The longer must the raw materials of half the world pass through her factories and to be returned in the form of finished goods. The raw material producers are, increasingly, doing that work at home. Britain is now heavily indebted to such formerly-profitable associates as India and America.

In general, her commitments as the center of a great empire have not lessened in proportion with that empire's shrinkage in both size and value to her. During the war she had to obtain help from America first for her own defense and then turned over to its almost complete responsibility for her Pacific interests.

If it does develop that Britain is unable to recover fully from all these adversities — and many signs point to long-range depression despite the possible immediate improvement — she will still remain of extreme importance to the political and strategic position of the United States. If to maintain her, more and more loans become necessary, then the question of some sort of union can be expected to come up in really concrete form.

When France was tottering on the very brink of destruction in 1940 Winston Churchill tried to keep her in the war, offered complete union with Britain, offered to assume an almost hopelessly heavy burden, rather than see her taken over by the Germans. But the die was already cast, for France, and Britain surrendered.

Some people think the cause of peace would be enhanced now by a formal alliance of the U. S. and Britain, open to anyone else who wished to join, serving notice that they stand prepared to intervene immediately, shoulder to shoulder, against any disturbance.

Another war, or an imminent threat that Britain might become "just another island," would take a great deal of the fantasy out of the union idea.

The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

PERCY D. 34, is a certified public accountant.

"We have been married for eight years," he began apologetically, "but our marriage seems to be going on the rocks. For my wife constantly nags."

"She picks flaws in everything I do or say. Just petty little things will set her off on a fit of scolding. I am naturally a shy type of fellow, and usually put up with what she says."

"But the more I give in to her, the worse she nags me. She wasn't this way before we were married. I think she has grown more irritable each year."

Dr. Crane was a half-smiled and how can a fellow break her of this bad habit?"

A nagging wife is usually hungry for more affection. She wants her husband to pay attention to her and show her he loves her. She is sexually half-starved and wants to be whetted.

The wife rarely seldom realizes what is her basic difficulty. And the usual husband reacts about like Percy. So she grows more irritable and blames him for every little thing that goes wrong.

What happens when a hungry male sits down at the table and finds to his dismay that the dinner isn't ready? He "nags" his wife out. He is irritable. He nags as her slowness! Why?

Because he is hungry! She is the one from whom he expects satisfaction of his stomach hunger. She isn't doing it fully. So he criticizes her often quite caustically. If he is hungry, or if she fed him on schedule, then he would be quite docile and happy.

Millions of American wives are more or less low hungry. Many of them, however, still have the praiseworthy idea that sexuality is bestial and vulgar. They try to deny its universal appeal out at the same time as their irritative behavior that they are unsatisfied wives.

So they subconsciously try to irritate their husbands by laying hands on them. They accuse, criticize and scold, hoping to obtain physical contact. They don't want a complacent male who meekly suffers in the silence the words they will nag.

Nagging is woman's rebel attempt to make her husband assert his masculinity. But many such husbands tolerantly keep still, and even pride themselves on their self-control.

"The Taming of the Shrew" is a good case in point. The shrew wife must have a reasonable amount of masculine dominance. If her mate is too spineless, she tries tactfully to force him into his masculine role or, irritating him. More husbands have countless lost their wives through meekness than through violence.

There are times when women crave a little home domination. If their husbands fail them, then they nag, or sublimately their hunger through excessive social or church activities, or may finally end up with another man who understands feminine psychology.

The average man and wife scarcely know the a-b-c's regarding marital technique. They are simply grown-up children with new correct ideas pertaining to marriage and many superstitions or false information. It is no wonder we have so many divorces!

In our schools and colleges we don't teach young people how to be successful in marriage. Our public libraries seldom have worthwhile books on the subject that really get down to fundamentals.

AMATEUR NIGHT



In Hollywood

By JIMMIE FIDLER

HOLLYWOOD, March 4 — The motion picture industry has many ridiculous practices, but its habit of changing picture titles from one to half-a-dozen times before the start of a production and its final release, tops them all in my opinion.

Consider, for instance, the Neilson Eddy-Hanna Massey musical just completed at Republic. Its original title was "Russian River."

It was changed to "Will Tomorrow Ever Come?" some weeks after shooting began. A week or two later, a new title, "One Exciting Kiss," was conceived. Now, however, the picture will be called "End of the Rainbow."

At the same studio, Producer Frank Borzage bought Martha Cheevers novel, "The Ringing Stars," and retitled it "Fall On Your Knees." Midway through production, the title was changed again, this time to "Crosswinds."

Alone knows what it will be when the picture reaches theatres. What makes it all so assume is the fact that the studios spend sizeable fortunes publicizing titles which are then discarded at just about the moment that John and Jane Public are getting acquainted with them. Movie publicity today concentrates on titles. When a press agent puts out a story, he invariably insists on getting "picture credit."

It's perfectly okay if the columnist or magazine writer who uses the story omits any mention of the picture's stars, but it's distinctly not okay if the picture title is neglected.

Most columnists try to co-operate, but their efforts are futile. They simply can't keep pace with the weekly title changes.

Weren't Peggy Ryan and Jimmy Cross secretly hitched in Mexico two months ago? Pals think so. Real reason for Tommy Dorsey's decision to disband his orchestra is a feud with his booking agent ancient commissions. . . . MGM is bidding heavy sugar for screen rights to "Fanny's Rainbow," starring vehicle for Judy Garland. The Jack Carsons have confirmed this column's report that they're reconciling.

Gosh! Mickey Rooney's current "in person" stunt at Loew's State, New York City, is paying him \$12,500 a week! . . . Mrs. Louis Prima will seek a Reno divorce from her bandleader spouse. . . . Hear Dorothy Lamour plans to enter John-Hopkins this Spring for a complete physical checkup. . . . Altar-bound Kitty Kallen, former thrush with Harry James' band, and orchestra leader Elliot Lawrence. Frank Morgan will snapper his 70-foot scooter, Dolman II, in summer's California-to-Honolulu race.

David Street and Marilyn Maxwell, who weren't speaking last month, are hand-holding again. . . . Now it's the Prohibitionists who are threatening to boycott Hollywood pictures featuring heavy guzzling scenes. . . . Monty Woolley has been asked for the role of Henry VIII in J. Arthur Rank's British production, "Anne of Cleves."

Understand that one major studio has offered the Duke of Windsor \$600,000 for screen rights to his contemplated autobiography, "Marriage-and-etc." Jimmy Durante and Marjorie Lane, Bday actress.

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Bridge

By SHEPARD BARCLAY

Little Hands Get Big

HANDS WITH just a little high card strength become very big when opposite a strong hand. A king, for instance, is as good as an ace in offensive trick-taking value, if the ace is opposite. And a long suit topped by any kind of an honor is worth a lot of tricks under such circumstances. That, however, is one of the hardest things for an average player to learn. He cannot as a rule think about bidding up to a slam, or even inviting one, unless his own hand has appreciable strength of itself.

♠ A Q J 8
♥ A J 6
♦ A J 8
♣ A Q 4

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W E
S

♠ K 6 5 3
♥ 8 5
♦ Q 6 5
♣ J 10 9 5

♠ 10 9 4
♥ Q 2
♦ K 7 3 2
♣ 7 6 3 2

(Dealer, North. North-South vulnerable.)

	North	East	South	West
2NT	Pass	3♥	Pass	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♥	Pass	Pass

J. Lester Van Name, one of the best players of the Union League Club champion team in the New York Inter-Club League, held that big hand in the North. It was just about a maximum 2-no Trumps holding, and there are some players who would open it with 3-No Trumps. His opening, however, was far sounder, as affording leeway for a partner with a long string of small cards in some suit.

After South's second call, 4-Hearts, he reflected that the identical bidding would, or at least, should, have been done by a partner who had nothing but five hearts headed by a spot card. In that event, South would have a play for 4-Hearts, but no prospects of slam. If South had held anything better than one king in high cards — perhaps a queen extra, he might have lavished slam with 5-Hearts, an invitation which Mr. Van Name would have accepted with 6-Hearts, telling sure that a single finesse would bring it home.

South actually ran all 13 tricks after the club lead, with six in hearts, three in clubs, one in diamonds and one in spades when the finesse worked. If South had realized the side would have reached 4-Hearts if he had only five small hearts in an all-small-card hand, his extra card of length plus his two kings would have made him at least invite the slam with 3-Hearts opposite what opening 2-No Trumps would have, and North would have gone to the small slam which was heavily favored by all the odds.

Tomorrow's Problem

♠ A K Q 7 4 2
♥ 8 5
♦ A K J 9 8
♣ None

♠ 10 8 5
♥ 7 2
♦ Q 6 4 3
♣ J 10 5 3

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♠ 6 3
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♦ 10 7 2
♣ 4

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In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

MARCH 5, 1897.
TWO CENTS STOLEN — The home of Frank Tyson at Parkerford was broken into on Tuesday night and a revolver and child's safe, containing only two cents, were taken.

HOME IN AMBULANCE — Rachel Fillmen, 239 King street, was taken ill at the residence of Mrs. Edward Newlin, Hanover and Walnut streets, and was conveyed to her home in the Good Will ambulance.

MOVED FAMILY — Edward Conrad has moved with his family from 111 Warren street to 434 King street.

25 Years Ago

MARCH 5, 1922.
SLIGHT BLAZE — Fire was discovered at the rear of Mosheim's clothing store. Someone had been burning waste paper and the wind scattered the sparks, which ignited a box and an outbuilding at the rear of the store.

ATTENDS CONVENTION — Frank Auchenhach, of the wholesale grocery firm of William Auchenhach and son, is attending the convention of the National Wholesale Grocers' association at Trenton, N. J.

10 Years Ago

MARCH 5, 1937.
WINS HONOR — Miss Peggy Bullens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Bullens, Hillside Farm, senior student at Vassar college, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national honor society.

DOUBLE CEREMONY — Miss Kathryn Hatfield and Mrs. Anna E. Srenk, both daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Hatfield, 408 North Franklin street, were married in a double ceremony in a Methodist Episcopal church in New York city.

HILL INSTRUCTOR TO WED — John Quincy Adams, professor of mathematics at The Hill, will take as his bride in July, Miss Emily Benedict, a daughter of Mrs. Edwin A. McAlbin, Madison, N. J., and Brandereth, N. Y.

Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

Three Blocks From Broadway

ROY DEL RUTH, the Hollywood producer, just has finished a picture called "It Happened on Fifth Avenue." It is a story of a young man who, as a vehicle for the theater's Victor Moore but as a reminder that New York has two fabulous streets, and only one of them is named Broadway. While the Gay White Way was accumulating its famous dazzle clock by clock, Fifth ave. was acquiring its fascinating history — one continuing to the day of the island legend of the Van derbilts and the Astors and landmarks like St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Waldorf-Astoria and Altman's. Much of the data about it is captivating and for the most part unknown to the New Yorkers who stroll its sidewalks in this Winter of '47.

For instance: The first Fifth ave. buses were horse-drawn and the drivers wore long straps attached to their legs with the end reaching to the rear door. Passengers pulled the strap when they wanted the bus to stop, and it was in character for the young blades to jerk it hard and pull the driver off his seat. That is where the expression "pulling a leg" originated, and it is clear to historians that bus drivers in those days had little in common temperamentally with the ones we have now. Fares were dropped in a box up front and change was handed out in sealed envelopes. Those were leisurely days, you know.

The bus line published a magazine for its elegant patrons. One paragraph in a 1919 issue recorded the fact that Mrs. French Vanderbilt, during World War I, had inaugurated the "fad" of ladies carrying their own bundles.

At the beginning of the 20th century the wealthy residents of Fifth ave. objected to any commercialization of the street. Altman's had a permit to build a department store, but to placate the landowners the management built the store in a fancy manner as possible. Its facade resembled a Florentine palace and no signs in front to indicate that dry goods were sold inside. It wasn't until 1914 that a department store — Lord and Taylor — dared to be frankly commercial in appearance on the avenue.

The Flatiron Building, at Fifth and 23rd, says a sightseer's delight was the wondrous corner in town. The city idlers and the bustle era's version of the playboy were used to congregate there to ogle as trim amiles were exposed, and the policemen were kept busy shoeing them away. From this unusual phenomenon came the expression of Americans, "twenty-three skyscraper."

Archbishop Hughes, who laid the cornerstone for St. Patrick's Cathedral in 1858, never officiated in the great edifice: he died in 1864. The Cathedral was opened to the public in 1879, having cost only \$4,000,000. The land alone is worth much more than that today.

The old Waldorf-Astoria Hotel was built on the site of John Jacob Astor's town house at 34th and Fifth. It derived the name Waldorf from the town Waldorf in the duchy of Baden, which was Astor's birthplace. It was the first hotel in America to announce — circa 1893 — that unescorted ladies were welcome.

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ALL AROUND THE TOWN

Cardinals Not Scarce...

Down in Florida...

ERRORS IN THE SPRING — You'd think we'd learn the lesson. But no, though that hot stove a second time we'll do! "Each year about this time," chides Correspondent "Gerrie," "I read in The Mercury that someone has been a cardinal or 'red-bird' and thinks it's unusually early for its appearance. So Spring is right around the corner." And then she breaks the sad news to those snow-bound reporters who write the annual "cardinals" stories. "The shrill notes of the cardinal or the sight of one perched on a tree-top at this season of the year does not mean a thing so far as the nearness of Spring is concerned," continued Gerrie to burst the bubble about it being omen-planning time. Gosh! They'll be telling us next: there's no Santa Claus! . . .

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Police Protection Needed

THE Mercantile Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce has petitioned Pottstown borough council for more High street police protection.

The Mercantile Bureau, alleged in its petition that there's a four-hour period in the early morning when ONLY ONE POLICEMAN IS ON DUTY!

Then the Mercantile Bureau pointed to recent early morning burglaries at the Levitz Furniture store, the Lyn-Mar diner (twice), the Sunnybrook diner, and the Bell Cleaner. Adding those up, the merchants said: "We want more police protection."

If it is true that ONLY ONE POLICEMAN IS ON DUTY in the entire early morning hours, then certainly Pottstown merchants deserve greater police protection. High street should be patrolled more diligently by more policemen.

BUT WHAT OF THE OTHER PORTIONS OF TOWN?

If High street is protected by only one policeman in the early morning hours, how many are on duty in the remainder of town? IS THE ANSWER NONE?

If that is the answer, what is to prevent any householder from being murdered in his bed? Why aren't more homes ransacked? And what would happen in case of a calamity?

The Mercantile Bureau should go into the police question thoroughly. Stores require protection. If thieves hear we're such a somnolent town, they'll come in, wrap up High street and carry it away!

What they'd do to residential sections can be surmised. It is no wonder that women fear to walk Pottstown's darkened streets. It is no wonder that Pottstown has had attacks by sex maniacs, by purse snatchers!

If that's all the police protection citizens are afforded, then the borough as a whole, and not only the merchants, should be down around council's ears!

The whole affair begins to smack of mismanagement of the police department. Police, it is true, work long hours. But surely schedules could be so arranged that EVERY PART OF THE TOWN AT ALL HOURS is protected!

This should be done even if more police have to be hired. It's cheaper to lock the stable than to stand the loss after the horse is stolen.

The merchants should go into the police situation deeply. If someone is remiss in his duty, then the evils should be corrected! The police committee should review the requests sincerely, in the interest of community safety.

Ahead of the Times

THE shape of things to come? Possibly Pottstown's borough council was the sculptor that molded a new form of legislation.

Pottstown decided to tax theater revenues. Theaters have disputed council's right and have taken the issue to law.

But up in Harrisburg, two Republican legislators, Messrs. Livingstone and Jump have introduced a bill which would authorize the council of any borough to levy a tax for general revenue purposes upon admissions to every form of entertainment, diversion, sports, recreation or pastime held within the corporate limits.

The bill was referred to the committee on municipal corporations, of which one of Pottstown's representatives, Howard F. Boorse, is chairman.

For Sweeter Tempers

THE Pottstown housewife is going to be considerably mollified by this year's sugar quota. In 1946 she got 25 pounds for each member of the family. This year it will be about 35.

The increase doesn't result so much from political pressure, which nonetheless was considerable. The international emergency food council, which recommends the distribution of available food supplies still insufficient to meet unrestricted demand, finds that increased sugar production this year makes it possible to grant every country at least 75 percent of its prewar average per capita consumption. Three countries, the United States, the United Kingdom and Canada, received considerably higher allocations.

As a result, we will have 6.8 million short tons of sugar (raw basis) as compared to 5.4 million short tons last year, or an average of 90 pounds per person this year compared to 73 last year. Housewives will be able to get about 35 pounds for each member of the household; the other 55 pounds per capita will be available in the form of candy, soft drinks, and other confections.

Grampaw Oakley

PUNKY CORNERS, March 4.
Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wal, I see by the papers where a Berlin daily was suspended for 24 hours because an article in it "insulted the French." How times have changed! In the days of Hitler, the editor could have had his choice of medals for that!

A wealthy woman tipped a Bermuda taxi driver \$1600. There's one cabbie who can't complain he never has enough change. And say: It's only natural for a big league pitcher star to sign his new contract with a ball-bearing pen!

Hopin' you air the same,
GRAMPAW NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY:

Mercury Covers Field Adequately

Letters must not be more than 250 words long, of current topics and must not involve personalities. Name and address of writer must be submitted as evidence of good faith but will be withheld from publication on request. Poetry, and communications advocating the election of political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

One Paper Enough

To the Editor: In reply to Mr. Walter Runyon's somewhat shortsighted letter in Monday's Mercury, the following may clarify some of his advice to The Mercury on selling Pottstown: Beyond everything else a newspaper is a business. If it doesn't make money, it doesn't continue.

How does a paper make money? primarily through advertising and then by circulation. Could Pottstown support evening and Sunday editions? It would take more than the allotted 250 words to explain why not but it was proved not so many years ago when there were two papers in town. That's why there's only one today.

As to expanding the circulation to include all of Montgomery county and four others, I suggest Mr. Runyon talk to any newspaper man to find out the impossibility of this. The Mercury would be bankrupt in two weeks.

Mr. Runyon has offered a challenge to The Mercury. I challenge him to back up his suggestions with facts on how to accomplish them. In connection with local coverage, I further challenge him to mention one event of any significance at all that happened in the area in the past six months that was not reported in The Mercury.

Back up your suggestions, Mr. Runyon, and maybe The Mercury will do something about them.
Pottstown
H. G. T.

Washington

By RAY TUCKER

WASHINGTON, March 4 — Former Secretary James Francis Byrnes may be summoned before the House Foreign Affairs Committee to discuss the details of his conversations with British Foreign Minister Bevin over President Truman's statement on the eve of the 1946 Congressional election.

He also may be questioned on P.D.R.'s letter to Senator Robert F. Wagner a few weeks before the 1944 Presidential contest, a document which won or held many Jewish votes in metropolitan areas.

Members of the House and Senate committees handling international problems admit that they are working in a sort of postwar darkness. Time and again, in considering our relations with foreign countries, especially Britain and Russia, they find that hitherto secret agreements negotiated by P.D.R., Churchill and Stalin lie their hands.

INSIDE: The question which confronts the Republican managers on Capitol Hill now is whether they shall abide by these pacts, or publicize them and break them. It is a fair guess that the GOP majority on the House and Senate committees would like to make political capital from frank publication of these behind-the-scenes and personal pacts negotiated by the late President but a few responsible Republicans, such as Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan and Representative Charles A. Eaton of New Jersey, who head the respective Senate and House committees dealing with foreign troubles, seem to think it best to shy away from a full-dress review of the Roosevelt-Hull program.

RENOMINATION: President Truman has confided to a few close friends on Capitol Hill that he wants and will insist on a renomination next year. Having scrapped most of the Roosevelt New Deal program, he demands defeat or vindication on his record.

He has told these amiable politicians to arrange their plans accordingly. They must make a bright record for H.S.T. in Congress between now and nominating time 16 months hence.

RUNNING-MATE: Although he has left the door open for last-minute changes, it is understood that Senator Alben W. Barkley, minority leader of the upper chamber, is Mr. Truman's choice as a running mate. The Kentuckian has a good, solid reputation as a legislator, and he is the Missouriian's kind of man. He also will be accordingly, for he knows of the President's program for 1948.

A Truman-Barkley ticket, from the geographical standpoint, is not ideal, carrying men from such closely related states as Missouri and Kentucky. But the fact is that the Democrats have no powerful or important figures—governors or U. S. Senators—in any of the key eastern, middle western or far western commonwealths. In those areas they are politically forlorn.

So, as of today, the Democrats' 1948 slate may be listed as Truman for President and Barkley for Vice President.

SAFETY: The predicted protests already have begun to roll in to the Senate Commerce Committee over Senator Owen Brewster's plan for installing new safety devices, side or beam, at the nation's commercial airports. It appears to be a fight between hometown, boomtown promoters and human lives.

The great obstacle in the way of installation of necessary safety facilities has been the expense. It is estimated that the original cost will amount to about \$50,000,000. After making a study of recent air accidents, Senator Brewster has proposed that about \$45,000,000 previously allocated for construction of new airfields be shifted to the glide-and-beam account. He believes that existing fields should be made safe before the building of new landing spots.

FLOWERS FOR THE LIVING

FOR CLAIRE ELAINE WALSH

1307 Queen street
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The wife herself seldom realizes what is her basic difficulty. And the usual husband reacts about like Percy. So she just grows more irritable and blames him for every little thing that goes wrong.

What happens when a hungry male sits down at the table at mealtime to find that dinner isn't ready? He "bawls" his wife out. He is irritable. He nags at her slowness! Why?

Because he is hungry! She is the one from whom he expects satisfaction of his stomach hunger. She isn't doing it fully. So he criticizes her, often quite caustically. If he weren't hungry, or if she fed him on schedule, then he would be quite docile and happy.

Millions of American wives are more or less love hungry. Many of them, however, still have the prudish idea that sexuality is bestial and vulgar. They try to deny its universal appeal, but at the same time show in their irritable behavior that they are unsatisfied wives.

So they subconsciously try to irritate their husbands into laying hands on them. They accuse, criticize and scold, hoping to obtain physical contact. They don't want a complacent male who meekly submits. Indeed, the more the husband suffers in the silence, the worse they will nag.

Nagging is woman's veiled attempt to make her husband assert his masculinity. But many such husbands tolerantly keep still, and even pride themselves on their self-control.

"The Taming of the Shrew" is a good case in point. The average wife must have a reasonable amount of masculine dominance. If her mate is too spineless, she tries tactfully to force him into his masculine role by irritating him.

More husbands have doubtless lost their wives through meekness than through violence.

There are times when women crave a little he-man treatment. If their husbands fall them, then they nag, or sublimately their hunger through excessive social or church activities, or may finally end up with another man who understands feminine psychology.

The average man and wife scarcely know the a-b-c's regarding marital technique. They are simply grownup children, with few correct ideas pertaining to marriage and many superstitions or false information. It is no wonder we have so many divorces!

In our schools and colleges we don't teach young people how to be successful in marriage. Our public libraries seldom have worthwhile books on the subject that really get down to fundamentals.

AMATEUR NIGHT



In Hollywood

By JIMMIE FIDLER

HOLLYWOOD, March 4—The motion picture industry has many ridiculous practices, but its habit of changing picture titles from one to half-a-dozen times between the start of a production and its final release, tops them all in my opinion.

Consider, for instance, the Nelson Eddy-Iona Massey musical just completed at Republic. Its original title was "Russian River." That was changed to "Will Tomorrow Ever Come?" some weeks after shooting began. A week or two later, a new title, "One Exciting Kiss," was conceived. Now, however, the picture will be called "End of the Rainbow."

At the same studio, Producer Frank Borzage bought Martha Cheevers novel, "The Ringing Stars," and retitled it "Fall On Your Knees." Midway through production, the title was changed again, this time to "Crosswinds." Allah alone knows what it will be when the picture reaches theatres.

What makes it all so asinine is the fact that the studios spend sizeable fortunes publicizing titles which are then discarded at just about the moment that John and Jane Public are getting acquainted with them. Movie publicity today concentrates on titles. When a press agent puts out a story, he invariably insists on getting "picture credit." It's perfectly okay if the columnist or magazine writer who uses the story omits any mention of the picture's stars, but it's distinctly not okay if the picture title is neglected.

Most columnists try to co-operate, but their efforts are futile. They simply can't keep pace with the weekly title changes.

Weren't Peggy Ryan and Jimmy Cross secretly hitched in Mexico two months ago? Pals think so. . . . Real reason for Tommy Dorsey's decision to disband his orchestra is a feud with his booking agent agent commiserate. . . . MGM is bidding heavy sugar for screen rights to "Finian's Rainbow" as a starring vehicle for Judy Garland. . . . The Jack Carsons have confirmed this column's report that they're reconciling.

Gosh! Mickey Rooney's current "in person" stunt at Loew's State, New York City, is paying him \$12,500 a week! . . . Mrs. Louis Prima just gave a Reno divorce from her husband. . . . Hear Dorothy Lamour plans to enter John-Hopkins this Spring for a complete physical checkup. . . . Altar-bound: Kitty Kallen, former thrush with Harry James' band, and orchestra leader Elliot Lawrence. . . . Frank Morgan will skipper his 70-foot schooner, Dolphin II, in next Summer's California-to-Honolulu race.

David Street and Marilyn Maxwell, who weren't speaking last month, are hand-holding again. . . . Now it's the Prohibitionists who are threatening to boycott Hollywood pictures featuring heavy guzzling scenes. . . . Monty Woolley has been linked for the role of Henry VIII in J. Arthur Rank's British production, "Anne of Cleves." Understand that one major studio has offered the Duke of Windsor \$800,000 for screen rights to his contemplated autobiography. . . . Marriage-minded: Jimmy Durante and Marjorie Little, Bdway actress.

Pottstown Sketches

By PHILLIPS



In Retrospect

50 Years Ago

March 5, 1897

TWO CENTS STOLEN—The home of Frank Tyson at Parkerford was broken into on Tuesday night and a revolver and child's safe, containing only two cents, were taken.

HOME IN AMBULANCE—Rachel Fillmen, 239 King street, was taken ill at the residence of Mrs. Edward Newlin, Hanover and Walnut streets, and was conveyed to her home in the Good Will ambulance.

MOVED FAMILY—Edward Conrad has moved with his family from 111 Warren street to 434 King street.

25 Years Ago

March 5, 1922

SLIGHT BLAZE—Fire was discovered at the rear of Mosheim's clothing store. Someone had been burning waste paper, and the wind scattered the sparks, which ignited a box and an outbuilding at the rear of the store.

ATTENDS CONVENTION—Frank Auchenbach, of the wholesale grocery firm of William Auchenbach and son, is attending the convention of the National Wholesale Grocers' association at Trenton, N. J.

10 Years Ago

March 5, 1937

WINS HONOR—Miss Peggy Bullens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Bullens, Hillsdale Farm, senior student at Vassar college, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national honor society.

DOUBLE CEREMONY—Miss Kathryn Hatfield and Mrs. Anna E. Swenk, both daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Hatfield, 403 North Franklin street, were married in a double ceremony in a Methodist Episcopal church in New York city.

HILL INSTRUCTOR TO WED—John Quincy Adams, professor of mathematics at The Hill, will take as his bride in July, Miss Emily Benedict McAlpin, daughter of Mrs. Edwin A. McAlpin, Madison, N. J., and Brandreth, N. Y.

Voice of Broadway

By DOROTHY KILGALLEN

Three Blocks From Broadway

ROY DEL RUTH, the Hollywood producer just has finished a picture called "It Happened on Fifth Avenue," which serves not only as a vehicle for the theater's Victor Moore but as a reminder that New York has two fabulous streets, and only one of them is named Broadway. While the Gay White Way was accumulating its famous dazzle, block by block, Fifth ave. was acquiring its fascinating history, too—contributing to the lore of the island legends of the Vanderbilts and the Astors and landmarks like St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Waldorf-Astoria and Altman's. Much of the data about it is captivating and for the most part unknown to the New Yorkers who stroll its sidewalks in this Winter of '47.

For instance: The first Fifth ave. buses were horse-drawn and the drivers wore long straps attached to their legs with the end reaching to the rear door. Passengers pulled the strap when they wanted the bus to stop, and it was in character for gay young blades to jerk it hard and pull the driver off the seat. That is where the expression "pulling a leg" originated, and it is clear to historians that bus drivers in those days had little in common temperamentally with the ones we have now. Fares were dropped in a box up front and change was handed out in sealed envelopes. Those were leisurely days, you know.

The bus line published a magazine for its elegant patrons. One paragraph in a 1919 issue recorded the fact that Mrs. French Vanderbilt, during World War I, had inaugurated the "fad" of ladies carrying their own handbags.

At the beginning of the 20th century the wealthy residents of Fifth ave. objected to any commercialization of the street. Altman's had a permit to build a department store, but to placate the landowners the management built the store in as fancy a manner as possible, its facade resembling a Florentine palace and no signs in front to indicate that dry goods were sold inside. It wasn't until 1914 that a department store—Lord and Taylor—dared to be frankly commercial in appearance on the avenue.

The Flatiron Building, at Fifth and 23rd, always a sightseer's delight, was the windiest corner in town. The city idlers and the bustle era's sycophants of the play-house used to congregate there to gape as trim ankles were exposed, and the policemen were kept busy shooing them away. From this quaint phenomenon came that expression of Americana, "twenty-three skidoo."

Archbishop Hughes, who laid the cornerstone for St. Patrick's Cathedral in 1858, never officiated in the great edifice; he died in 1864. The cathedral was opened to the public in 1879, having cost only \$4,000,000. The land alone is worth much more than that today.

The old Waldorf-Astoria Hotel was built on the site of John Jacob Astor's town house, at 34th and Fifth. It derived the name Waldorf from the town Waldorf in the duchy of Baden, which was Astor's birthplace. It was the first hotel in America to announce—circa 1893—that unscrupulous ladies were welcome.

Where the Salmon Building now stands, at 42nd and Fifth, there was an edifice called the Latting Tower. It was an observatory 350 feet high, and customers went up to its top to look over the city through a telescope—fee, 10 cents. But the observatory business wasn't good in those days and it closed within a year.

At 14 Fifth ave., Isaac M. Singer, king of home dressmaking, built the house that was later occupied by Mark Twain. . . . And it was at Lucy Green's chi chi school for young ladies at 1 Fifth ave. that Jennie Jerome got her larnin'—the Jennie who became Winston Churchill's mother and one of the great beauties of the day.

On the present site of Kress' store was the John Gottlieb Wendel home, a direct descendant of "Fighting Dave" Wendel a hero of the Revolutionary War, was John Jacob Astor's partner in the fur business. He refused to sell any of his vast real estate holdings, always collected his rents in person, never would lease to a saloon. At the time of his death he was the largest real estate holder in the nation.

ALL AROUND THE TOWN

Cardinals Not Scarce...

Down in Florida...

ERRORS IN THE SPRING—You'd think we'd have the lesson. But no, though that hot stove a second time we'll do. "Each year about this time," chides Correspondent "Gerrie," "I read in The Mercury that someone has seen a cardinal or 'red-bird' and thinks it's unusually early for its appearance. So Spring is right around the corner." And then she breaks the sad news to those snow-tired reporters who write the annual cardinals stories. "The shrill notes of the cardinal or the sight of one perched on a treetop at this season of the year does not mean a thing so far as the nearness of Spring is concerned," continued Gerrie to burst the bubble about it being onion-planting time. Gosh! They'll be telling us next there's no Santa Claus! . . .

LESSON—All levity aside, Correspondent Gerrie gives us quite a bit of background on the cardinals. She continued: "While living in the country I have seen as many as three pairs of cardinals at one time, among the branches of the trees, during any Winter month. Now that I live in town I was not surprised to see a pair of these birds in our yard this past January. Though they are a southern bird, they are quite hardy and many never migrate to the south. They live on seeds and berries. I was much surprised the other morning to see a bright male cardinal join a group of starlings and sparrows for breakfast in our backyard. He snatched up a crust of bread and disappeared in a flash. I suppose the big snow had covered his feeding grounds and a crust of bread looked pretty good. So if you're looking for 'spring around the corner,' keep an eye open for robin red breast but don't put too much trust in the Cardinal."

ANOTHER DISSENTER—Another report to the "Spring-around-the-corner-because-I-saw-a-cardinal" story of the past Saturday came from Evelyn Updegrave, 156 North Evans street. Miss Updegrave said a cardinal has been an almost daily visitor at the window of her office of the Keystone Drawn Steel company, Spring City. Whenever she whistles it flits up to its favorite perch in a tree beside the window, she says! . . . Dr. Samuel C. Smith, High street dentist, is enjoying the sun in Florida. From Miami Beach he writes that the Flamingo parade at the Hialeah race track was colorful the past Saturday. Temperature of the air: 73 degrees. Ocean temperature: 66 degrees. "It's much warmer down here now than it was a few weeks ago," he writes.

"OPEN THE DOOR, KITTY!" "yelled J. Foreman "Coach" Corbett, High and Adams resident in the bitter cold the other night when he stepped onto his front porch to welcome guests. Slam! went the door behind him. So there stood Corbett, Bill Reifsnnyder and Mike Prostovich with no place to go! They warmed up in Bert Shaw's service station until Corbett could get his daughter, Kitty Lou Trout, to come in town with a key to the front door! . . . ERROR — Gerald Hartenstein, 25 Beech street, bought a lot on Sixth street from Arthur C. Miller, and not a house, as reported here the past week.

INVENTOR—Matthias L. Hoffman, 101 North York street, has been granted a patent on a gauge for watch strap ends or the like by the US Patent office. . . . It's hard to believe, but Montgomery county ranks 24th among all the counties in the United States in chicken production. The Department of Commerce reports that this county had 692,603 chickens on its farms on January 1, 1945 (last report). Biggest chicken county in Pennsylvania was Lancaster with 2,128,391 at that time. Next in line, in Pa., were York, Bucks, Berks, then Montgomery.

YOUR HEALTH

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

THE skin often reveals an individual's emotional state. Thus, embarrassment may cause blushing. On the other hand, those in the grip of fear may become very pale and those who are under the prolonged nerve tension known as anxiety, may sweat excessively.

According to Dr. Henry MacCormac and his co-workers of England, anxiety can in some instances also cause severe itching of the skin. Persistent itching creates an almost irresistible desire to scratch and this scratching injures the skin surface and often brings about serious infections.

Certain skin disorders also cause itching and irritation but in most cases the trouble is on a purely physical basis. Local treatment can be employed to get rid of the condition. On the other hand, itching due to psychologic difficulties requires the services of a specialist in nervous afflictions.

If the urge to scratch can be abolished for a time, a cure may result. In order to do this Dr. MacCormac and his co-workers carried out treatment on a number of patients by giving them sedative or nerve depressing drugs by injection into a vein.

The treatment was given daily for a week. Under this treatment, the patients remained asleep for 20 hours out of each 24 over a period of about 10 days.

Of these five were judged to be psychologic ally normal. The treatment was found effective in controlling the itching and scratching as well as the anxiety present in these patients. Most of them were completely relieved.

In the patients treated, the itching of the skin in most instances had been present over long periods of time. In one case it was present for 38 years. The treatment used is not such as would be employed except in severe cases of this disorder which could not be relieved in any other way. It requires hospitalization and constant nursing. To produce the desired results, it is necessary to secure sound, peaceful sleep over a sufficiently long period of time.

All of these things make it imperative that such treatment as this be entrusted only to expert hands, and that it be used only after simpler methods have failed.

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'Lettuce' Figure This One Out



A peepsie dachshund, three-year-old Heidi has adopted a brood of eight rabbits in Roxbury, Mass. She gives a "do not disturb" look to the cameraman as four of the bunnies show up at mealtime.

Adverse Weather Delays Shipment of Newsprint
MONTREAL, March 4 (P)—There has been practically no movement of newsprint for two days from mills in Quebec province districts badly hit by the latest storm.
A newsprint industry source said that yesterday's storm, which stalled many box cars on their way to pulp and paper mills, has greatly aggravated the already serious situation in the industry.
The source added, however, that newspaper producers in this province are managing to ship some supplies to the United States. Should there be further tie-ups he said, the mills would have no storage space left and production of newsprint would not be able to continue.

Thompson Named Dean Of Dickinson College
CARLISLE, March 4 (P)—The appointment of Dr. Russell I. Thompson as dean of Dickinson college was announced today by President William W. Edell following the monthly faculty meeting. Dr. Thompson will assume his new duties in June.
He succeeds Dr. E. A. Vuilleumier, professor of chemistry who served as dean of the college for the past 14 years. Dr. Vuilleumier will devote his full time to the chemistry department.
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The settlement was announced at city hall where the parties to the dispute met with Mayor William O'Dwyer. The strike, which had been set for tomorrow, would have affected 2536 shops which turned out 78.2 percent of the nation's dresses the past year.
David Dubinsky, president of the union, announced this settlement: Eight percent pay increase for piece workers; pay increases from \$3 to \$6 per week for week-

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The most northerly of the nine new stations—one of the two to be completed this Summer—is to be built in the vicinity of Eureka Sound on the northwestern side of Ellesmere island off the northeast coast only 600 miles from the North Pole.

This will be the farthest north of any weather station in the western hemisphere in an area where there are no human inhabitants. Like the others, it is to be maintained throughout the year.

The second station to be built this Summer will be at Winter Harbor on Melville island, at approximately Lat. 75 N. Long. 110 W., far to the west of Ellesmere island.

"It is considered essential that these stations be operated for a minimum period of five years to enable accurate assessment of their value with a view to determining the advisability of continuing or expanding weather reporting operations in these Arctic regions," Howe said.

The announcement capped negotiations opened first at the request of the United States the past Summer.

"Black Market" Charged In Newspaper Sales

WASHINGTON, March 4 (AP)—A National Editorial Association group today urged an investigation of "black marketing" in scarce newspaper and a reduction in Government use of newspaper.

Ed M. Anderson, chairman of the NEA newspaper committee, told a Senate small business subcommittee that the black market is expanding. He said he heard one report of a recent offer of a tie-in sale — by which the publisher could get newspaper if he bought other paper products.

14 Persons Killed In Tripoli Rioting

BEYROUTH, Lebanon, March 4 (AP)—Fourteen persons were killed today at Tripoli in a riot which broke out among crowds assembled to welcome Fawzi El Din Kawkji, one-time leader of rebel Palestine Arabs.

Two political parties and police were involved in the fighting.

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Adverse Weather Delays Shipment of Newspaper

MONTREAL, March 4 (AP)—There has been practically no movement of newspaper for two days from mills in Quebec province districts badly hit by the latest storm.

A newspaper industry source said that yesterday's storm, which stalled many box cars on their way to pulp and paper mills, has greatly aggravated the already serious situation in the industry.

The source added, however, that newspaper producers in this province are managing to ship some supplies to the United States. Should there be further tie-ups, he said, the mills would have no storage space left and production of newspaper would not be able to continue.

Thompson Named Dean Of Dickinson College

CARLISLE, March 4 (AP)—The appointment of Dr. Russell I. Thompson as dean of Dickinson College was announced today by President William W. Edel following the monthly faculty meeting. Dr. Thompson will assume his new duties in June.

He succeeds Dr. E. A. Vuilleumier, professor of chemistry who served as dean of the college for the past 14 years. Dr. Vuilleumier will devote his full time to the chemistry department.

Dr. Thompson, a native of Reading, was graduated from Dickinson in 1920 and from Yale university in 1932.

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CLUB NEWS

Social Activities

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Milton W. Reinert, Stowe, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Tomson, Penn Village, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

A son was born yesterday in Homeopathic hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lesseg, 118 North Keim street.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fout, 22 West Third street, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bean, Spring City, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Showers, Hildale, announce the birth of a son yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

and Mrs. Mary A. Taubel, county president, were given by Mrs. Kenaga, Mrs. Graham, and Miss McAfee.

Highlights on countries planning to send delegates to the convention, illustrated by a display of many dolls in costume, was presented by Mrs. Aaron Thaler. This part of the program was interspersed with African and Irish songs and instrumental Mexican music with Mrs. Graham as soloist, and Miss McAfee, pianist.

It was announced \$10.55 was received for the World's Hospitality Fund after the program. The hostesses served refreshments.

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Woman's Club of Pottstown Hears Talk By Rachel Ullman on 'American Glass'

Rachel Ullman spoke on "A Century of American Glass" at the semi-monthly meeting of the Woman's Club of Pottstown last night in library hall.

Mrs. Ullman, wife of professor H. M. Ullman, Lehigh university, who has been collecting antiques for many years, in discussing American glass, said, "Blown glass is produced by man using a blow pipe. The blown object is finished on hand with the glassmaker's tools."

She spoke about the several types of molded glass and how they are made.

Mrs. Ullman said, "America made glass because imported glass was too expensive. There is a difference in age and price in 'Blown in Mold' which produced by blowing into a three-part, two-part, or four-part hinged mold, and pressed in 'Mold' glass."

As to the American pressed glass (period 1827 to 1880), she said, "Non-Lacy was not very beautiful and manufacturers knew they had to perfect the glass and the Lacy was very beautiful and fancy were made from 1827 to 1840."

"1840 to 1865 a high grade of glass with simplicity in design was used by the manufacturer and from 1865 to 1880 manufacturers used a cheaper grade of glass with more elaborate and sophisticated patterns."

The speaker discussed the Victorian or late 19th Century "Fancy Ware" which included Over-lay, Punch blow, South glass, Burness, Agate, Amberina, Torquoise Shell, Opaque, "End of the Day"; Hobnail; Cranberry and other colored glass.

In closing Mrs. Ullman said, "Today in America we produce glass as fine as any that is imported." Mrs. Ullman illustrated her talk with a display of many fine pieces of glass. She and her husband bought a lovely old home in beautiful Moravian, Bethlehem, and they felt they had to buy old furniture to fit into their home. Then she bought glass, first for decoration, then for its beauty.

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Mrs. Joe Shaw, accompanied by Miss Wien, sang several soprano solos.

Discharged: John Rhoads, 156 North Evans street, surgical; Oliver Albitz, Pottstown RD 4, medical; Lilly Moore, 501 Walnut street, surgical; Mary Eubright, Schwenksville, surgical; Gertrude Yarmush, Pottstown RD 3, medical; Frederick Miller, 65 King street, surgical; William Simmons, Zeiglersville, surgical.

Lizbeth Scott accents a beige dinner dress with suspenders that have been cut from mink skins.

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WEDDINGS

Marie Fontana Is Entertained at Spaghetti Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fontana, Stowe, entertained recently at a spaghetti dinner in their home in honor of their daughter, Miss Marie Fontana, whose engagement to John Bolanski, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bolanski, Stowe, was announced recently.

The dining room was gaily decorated with red and white streamers.

Guests attending the affair were Miss Helen and Julia Ragnone, Mrs. Marion Bartchuk, Mr. August Perrante, Mr. Victor Fontana, Mr. and Mrs. John Bolanski and son, Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Fontana and children, Joan and Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fontana and son, Dominic, Mr. John Fontana, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ferrante, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fontana and sons, James and Paul Jr., and the guests of honor.

Various committees reported on their progress for the City-Country Fashion Show to be staged Saturday afternoon, March 29, in Sunnybrook Ballroom.

Miss Virginia Eloff was welcomed as a new member of the auxiliary.

Mrs. Beatrice Sanders gave an interesting review on the book, "Angelic Avengers."

Thirty-two members attended the meeting over which Mrs. Albert Hartman, president, presided.

At a meeting of the Pottstown hospital Junior auxiliary Monday night in the nurses' home, Mr. A. C. Seawell, superintendent, gave complete plans for a pediatric department in the hospital, a current auxiliary project.

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Garden Club to Meet In Rosedale Home

Mrs. C. W. Hancock will be hostess to members of Pottstown Garden club in her home, 418 Highland road, Rosedale, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Frank Hutt, president, will preside at the meeting.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE
IF THIS is your birthday anniversary, you have the gift of far-sightedness and are a good planner. All important undertakings should be begun during May and June. You are a true and loyal friend, and an ardent lover. You will always be contented and happy.

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Charles Nesley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reed Nesley, Pottstown RD 2, aged 20 years.

Lawrence Mauger Jr., 305 Sheridan street, aged 12 years.

Eleanor Martin, 541 Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Mary Auman, Pine Forge, aged 88 years.

Mrs. William Harner, Pine Forge.

Mr. Earl P. Stone, 1380 Queen street.

WCSO TO MEET
Color slides, "What One Doctor Did", will be shown at the March meeting of the WCSO of First Methodist church tomorrow night at 7:45 o'clock in the church. Special music also will be presented.

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Activities, Training Discussed by Girl Scout Leaders

Girl Scout leaders discussed activities and training at their monthly meeting last night in the clubrooms of the YWCA.

Among the activities under discussion were camping, first-aid, handicraft, outdoor cooking and swimming.

Mrs. Joseph Hospador gave an account of the recent activities of Troop 1, especially the painting of a troop paper and the hospital work done by members of the troop.

A program committee was appointed consisting of a Senior Scout leader, Mrs. Hospador an Intermediate Scout leader, Miss Mildred Geist, and a Brownie Scout leader, Mrs. William White.

Mrs. Harry Hoffman and Mrs. Verna Rees reported on a meeting of Scout leaders they attended recently in Allentown.

Mrs. Dorothy Saylor, council representative, gave a report on last month's Council meeting and informed leaders of the Marionette Show to be held this month in the Senior High school in observance of the 35th anniversary of Girl Scouting. Parents and friends will be invited to attend, Mrs. Saylor announced.

The leaders were taught some singing games and folk dances by Miss Mrs. 272.

Miss Eleanor Land, president, presided at the meeting.

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The bride wore a navy blue dress with a light blue flowered hat.

The bridegroom is employed at Spicer Manufacturing corporation.

The couple will make their home at 220 South York street.

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CLUB NEWS

Social Activities

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Milton W. Reinert, Stowe, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Tomson, Penn Village, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

A son was born yesterday in Homeopathic hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lessig, 118 North Keim street.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fout, 22 West Third street, announce the birth of a daughter yesterday in Homeopathic hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bean, Spring City, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Showers, Hilldale, announce the birth of a son yesterday in Pottstown hospital.

and Mrs. Mary A. Taubel, county president, were given by Mrs. Kenaga, Mrs. Graham, and Miss McAfee.

Highlights on countries planning to send delegates to the convention, illustrated by a display of many dolls in costume, was presented by Mrs. Aaron Thalmer. This part of the program was interspersed with African and Irish songs and instrumental Mexican music with Mrs. Graham as soloist, and Miss McAfee, pianist.

It was announced \$10.55 was received for the World's Hospitality Fund. After the program, the hostesses served refreshments.

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Woman's Club of Pottstown Hears Talk By Rachel Ullman on 'American Glass'

Rachel Miffilin Ullman spoke on a "Century of American Glass" at the semi-monthly meeting of the Woman's club of Pottstown last night in Library hall.

Mrs. Ullman, wife of professor H. M. Ullman, Lehigh university, who has been collecting antiques for many years, in discussing American glass, said, "Blown glass is produced by man using a blow pipe. The blown object is finished by hand with the glassmaker's tools."

She spoke about the several types of molded glass and how they are made.

Mrs. Ullman said, "America made glass because imported glass was too expensive. There is a difference in age and price in 'Blown in Mold' which is produced by blowing into a three-part, two-part, or four-part hinged mold, and 'pressed in Mold' glass."

As to the American pressed glass (period 1827 to 1880), she said, "Non Lacy was not very beautiful and manufacturers knew they had to perfect the glass and the Lacy was very beautiful and fancy were made from 1827 to 1840."

"1840 to 1865 a high grade of glass with simplicity in design was used by the manufacturer and from 1865 to 1880 manufacturers used a cheaper grade of glass with more elaborate and sophisticated patterns."

The speaker discussed the Victorian or late 19th Century "Fancy Wares" which included Over-lay, Peach blow, Satin glass, Burmese; Agate; Amberina; Tortoise Shell; Opague; "End of the Day"; Hobnail; Cranberry and other colored glass.

In closing Mrs. Ullman, said, "Today in America we produce glass as fine as any that is imported." Mrs. Ullman illustrated her talk with a display of many fine pieces of glass. She and her husband bought a lovely old home in beautiful Moravian, Bethlehem, and they felt they had to buy old furniture to fit into their home. Then she bought glass, first for decoration, then for its beauty.

At the business meeting over which Mrs. Adam Saylor, president, presided, it was announced the Book Review club would meet Wednesday night, March 12, in the home of Miss Rebekah Hemelright with Mrs. Earle Grove reviewing.

The Choral club will meet Tuesday night in the home of Miss Florence Wien.

Mrs. Robert Mallison was welcomed into membership. Appointed to a nominating committee were Mrs. Jack Tinkler, chairman; Mrs. Graves, Mrs. Kenneth Fillman, Mrs. Ernest Dengler and Miss Evelyn E. Shelly.

Mrs. Bert Shaw, accompanied by Miss Wien, sang several soprano solos.

Lizabeth Scott accents a beige dinner dress with suspenders that have been cut from mink skins.

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WEDDINGS

Marie Fontana Is Entertained at Spaghetti Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fontana, Stowe, entertained recently at a spaghetti dinner in their home in honor of their daughter, Miss Marie Fontana, whose engagement to John Bolanski Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bolanski, Stowe, was announced recently.

The dining room was gaily decorated with red and white streamers. Guests attending the affair were Misses Helen and Julia Ragnone, Miss Marion Bartchak, Mr. August Ferrante, Mr. Victor Fontana, Mr. and Mrs. John Bolanski and son, Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Fontana and children, Joan and Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fontana and son, Dominic, Mr. John Fontana, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ferrante, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fontana and sons, James and Paul Jr., and the guests of honor.

At a meeting of the Pottstown hospital Junior auxiliary Monday night in the nurses' home, Mr. A. C. Seawell, superintendent gave complete plans for a pediatric department in the hospital, a current auxiliary project.

Various committees reported on their progress for the City-Country Fashion Show to be staged Saturday afternoon, March 29, in Sunnybrook Ballroom.

Miss Virginia Egoft was welcomed as a new member of the auxiliary. Mrs. Beatrice Seaders gave an interesting review on the book, "Angelic Avengers".

Thirty-two members attended the meeting over which Mrs. Albert Hartman, president, presided.

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Garden Club to Meet In Rosedale Home

Mrs. C. W. Hancock will be hostess to members of Pottstown Garden club in her home, 418 Highland road, Rosedale, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Frank Hutt, president, will preside at the meeting.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE
IF THIS is your birthday anniversary, you have the gift of foresight and are a good planner. All important undertakings should be begun during May and June. You are a true and loyal friend, and an ardent lover. You will always be contented and happy.

Today
Charles Wesley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reed Wesley, Pottstown RD 2, aged 20 years.

Lawrence Mauger Jr., 805 Sheridan street, aged 12 years.

Eleanor Martin, 541 Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Mary Auman, Pine Forge, aged 88 years.

Mrs. William Harner, Pine Forge.

Mr. Earl P. Stong, 1380 Queen street.

WCS TO MEET
Color slides, "What One Doctor Did", will be shown at the March meeting of the WCS of First Methodist church tomorrow night at 7:45 o'clock in the church. Special music also will be presented.

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Activities, Training Discussed by Girl Scout Leaders

Girl Scout leaders discussed activities and training at their monthly meeting last night in the clubrooms of the YWCA.

Among the activities under discussion were camping, first-aid, handicraft, outdoor cooking and swimming.

Mrs. Joseph Hospador gave an account of the recent activities of Troop 1, especially the printing of a troop paper and the hospital work done by members of the troop.

A program committee was appointed consisting of a Senior Scout leader, Mrs. Hospador an Intermediate Scout leader, Miss Mildred Geist, and a Brownie Scout leader, Mrs. William White.

Mrs. Harry Hoffman and Mrs. Verna Rees reported on a meeting of Scout leaders they attended recently in Allentown.

Mrs. Dorothy Saylor, council representative, gave a report on last month's Council meeting and informed leaders of the Marionette Show to be held this month in the Senior High school in observance of the 35th anniversary of Girl Scouting. Parents and friends will be invited to attend, Mrs. Saylor announced.

The leaders were taught some singing games and folk dances by Miss Myrna Fry.

Miss Eleanor Land, president, presided at the meeting.

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Ethel M. Rippel Bride Of Russell A. Hoffman

Russell A. Hoffman, Pottstown Route 3, and Ethel M. Rippel, 220 South York street, South Pottstown, were united in marriage at the parsonage of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church, Boyertown, last night at 7 o'clock by the Rev. David F. Longacre, pastor. The double ring ceremony was used.

The bride wore a navy blue dress with a light blue flowered hat.

The bridegroom is employed at Spicer Manufacturing corporation.

The couple will make their home at 220 South York street.

CENTURY CLUB TO SEW
Women of Century club will sew for Red Cross today in the home of Mrs. C. C. Burdian, Burdian drive. The session will convene at 10 o'clock with a box luncheon at noon.

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Card Parties Are Staged By Central PTA Women

Homes of Mrs. George Bushie, 258 Beech street; Mrs. George Goyatos, 308 King street; Mrs. Helen Heydt, 360 Chestnut street; Mrs. Edwin Yost, and Mrs. Howard Hoffman, 61 Chestnut street, were the scenes last night of card parties staged for the benefit of Central PTA.

Approximately 100 persons attended the affairs which were arranged by Mr. George Yocom, chairman of the finance committee.

Everyday greeting cards were awarded to holders of high scores at cards.

During the evening the hostesses served cake and coffee.

TOURING CLUB MEETS

Routine business was transacted at a meeting of Lady Reindeer Touring club last night in the home of Mrs. Ada Beckley, 62 South Hanover street. Puss-in-the-box were won by Alice Geist and Mary Kocou.

MEETING POSTPONED

Annual banquet of the Cohere club scheduled for Friday night in Cedarville Grange has been postponed until Friday night, March 21, due to the inclement weather.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Application for a marriage license was made yesterday in Montgomery county courthouse, Norristown, by: Joseph Arch, 865 South street, and Viola May Ginder, Pottstown RD 3.

You can build resistance to colds by restful sleep.

Social Calendar

Ladies' auxiliary of the AOH — Covered dish social tonight at 8:30 o'clock in Library hall.

Lady Orioles' lodge — Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the Kulp building. Games will be played and members were to bring prizes.

Homeopathic hospital Junior auxiliary — Meeting tonight at 8 o'clock in the nurses' home.

SCHOOL BAND —

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has won the State championships several times and has also won honors in Eastern United States regional championships in the past.

The record of the band has shown the people of the town that their civic interest in the group has not been unwarranted. Public subscription raised enough funds to outfit the band with new uniforms last Fall, and the Kiwanis club purchased many of the instruments for the unit.

It was not known yesterday what effect the situation would have upon the school's plans to send the band and drill team to a tournament in Washington, D. C., on May 9-10.

OPERA HOUSE DESTROYED

CONNEAUTVILLE, March 4 (AP) — Fire of undetermined origin leveled the old opera house building here today, injuring two persons as six others fled from the second floor living quarters into severe winter weather.

BODEN SAYS —

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ments every years to help pay the bill for the services they receive.

The idea is not even new to Pottstown since some local industries during the war, when they were at peak production and employment, paid a per capita sum to the borough for the use of its sewer system.

Leon G. MacMullen, Pottstown furniture dealer present at the PAC meeting, praised the action of Boden, his assessors, and the equalization of assessments committee.

"Boden and his assessors did a fine job," MacMullen declared. "Tax equalization has been a political football in Pottstown for years, but everyone was afraid to do anything about it."

"These men did the community an outstanding public service. They rose above politics and parties to finally tap this unused source of revenue for the borough government."

MacMullen pointed out that Pottstown has entered into an era of expansion, not only industrially, but governmentally. Industry, he said, has an increasing source of revenue as it goes into profitable production, but the borough was shackled by increased services and a relatively diminishing source of income. The action of Boden and J. Max Creswell's committee will increase that source of revenue for our local government.

SIDNEY DIVORCE FINAL

LOS ANGELES, March 4 (AP) — Film actress Sylvia Sidney was granted a final divorce today from Luther Adler, stage and screen player, and announced that before the end of March she expects to be married to Carlton Alsop, motion picture and radio executive.

Asbestos is a rock that may be spun into yarn.

Bobby Knitter



Knitting is only one of many accomplishments of London's law enforcers. Here a Bobby is shown knitting his own socks during off-time at the Trenchard House Station in London.

Experiments indicate that ammonia gas can be injected into the soil to increase nitrogen content and act as a fertilizer.

Borough Briefs

Following have paid \$1 fines at borough hall for parking violations: Carl Testa, Stowe; Frank Rosenberry, C. F. Whitehead and Thomas Roberts, Pottstown; L. Evans, Reading; M. Junis, Pottstown; J. Dyk, G. Nicholls and A. Clouser, Pottstown; L. Lloyd, Chester county; Mrs. W. Rock, Pottstown; Gladys Hughes, Perkiomenville, and Frank A. Lowery, Philadelphia.

Rope Splicing Taught By Visiting Scoutmaster

Raymond Stichter, scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 7, taught members of Troop 6, of Trinity Reformed church, how to splice rope for the pioneering merit badge Monday night at a regular meeting.

The troop plans to go to Valley Forge Saturday for the annual pilgrimage. Wednesday night the boys will be taught swimming in the "Y" pool.

Scoutmaster Warren Hoover was in charge and seven boys attended.

Boys of Troop 4, of First Methodist church, were told how to make and set up charcoal stoves Monday night at a meeting at the church.

Arrangements were made for a camping trip to Camp Delmont this weekend following the event at Valley Forge.

Assistant Scoutmaster Gene Shellenberger directed the meeting.

Classification Defined For New Kiwanians

Classification talks to new members on which classification each was in were given last night at a meeting of the Kiwanis club.

William Shaner is chairman of the classification and membership committee.

Addresses were delivered by Lindsey Mauger, Government engineer; Dr. James Hallman and Philip Stephens.

In a board of directors' meeting last night for underprivileged children was discussed.

Committee to Study Site for Playground

A committee to select a site for the community playground which is to be sponsored jointly by the Bally Fire company and the Bally Lions club was appointed last night at a meeting of the latter.

Joseph Quigley, president, appointed the committee of five which will represent the club in the selection.

Prior to the business meeting C. E. Honebach, district territorial manager for the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, showed movies on the production of tires.

The Camp Fire Girls of Bally, sponsored by the club, will be the guests at the next meeting to be held March 18.

Chimney Smoke Brings Call to Empire Firemen

A defective chimney at the home of J. Edgar Friedman, 515 Chestnut street, caused another run for the Empire Hook and Ladder company at 8:20 o'clock yesterday morning.

Crevices in the brick chimney allowed smoke to escape into the upper part of the house.

Firemen did not go into service and there was no damage.

KJELLMAN RITES —

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High school sessions were suspended at 12:20 p. m., yesterday afternoon as a token of respect and esteem to the popular instructor.

The funeral rites were conducted by the Rev. Theodore L. Fischer with several hundred persons in the auditorium.

Interment was made in Highland Memorial cemetery. Masonic rites at the graveside were led by the following officers of Stichter lodge, No. 254, Free and Accepted Masons: Worshipful Master William H. Albright, Senior Warden George K. Cannell, Junior Warden Wayne J. Leister and Chaplain Alfred H. Haas.

The burial ritual of the American Legion was exemplified at the graveside by Commander Clarence H. Grimes, and Past Commanders John M. Supplee and Clarence R. Fox, of George A. Amole Post, No. 47.

The Legion firing squad, commanded by Capt. William Wagner, consisted of Ralph Guest, Clarence Hoffman, William Hart and Clifton Groff. Color bearers were Earl F. Newton and Leroy Koch, while the color guards were Robert Breidenbach and Clarence R. Fox. "Taps" were sounded by Thomas Miller.

Bearers were members of the High school faculty. They were Arthur E. Emery, Howard Stauffer, W. O. Smith, Jay Richards, J. Robert Von Drach and W. O. Cressman.

There were numerous floral tributes and 16 baskets of flowers were distributed between Pottstown and Homeopathic hospitals.

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TRAFFIC LIGHTS —

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Chairman Spaar said this is for a new police car and radio.

Burgess Griffith said many new ideas are being developed in telephone and radio. He said the police department here must be kept modern and radio may be installed in the police cars.

A communication was received from Nelson Chaplin, of the Die Casters' club, announcing that the organization is donating to the borough a portable iron lung which will be installed in an ambulance and which can be used free of charge in the area covered by the ambulance service.

On motion of J. Max Creswell, of the West ward, the club will be sent a letter expressing the thanks of council on behalf of the residents of this section.

The resignation of Clarence W. Davenport, chairman of zoning board of adjustment, was received.

Davenport was praised for his work by Elmer Fegley, Gerald J. Daly and President of Council C. Roy Bush. On motion of Harry E. Yergey, of the Third ward, the resignation was not accepted and an effort will be made to have Davenport reconsider his action.

A report by Chairman Daly of the highway committee showed that the borough spent about \$2000 for snow removal recently.

Chairman Creswell of the finance committee reported a balance due on the 1946 borough tax duplicate of \$5040.71 and a total outstanding on the occupational tax of \$1199.90, or a grand total of \$6240.11.

His report also showed that during the month of February the income from parking meters, police fines, license fees, etc., totaled \$5761.38.

Reporting for the law and damage committee, Borough Solicitor C. Edmund Wells said that the case of Daniel Bartman, this borough, against the Borough of Pottstown and Police Patrolman Paul Gumpert charging false arrest and false imprisonment, is listed for trial on March 17 before the Montgomery county court.

Nothing specific regarding action on preparing a new garbage collection ordinance was reported by Creswell, chairman of the sanitary committee.

An inspection of conditions at the junk yard of John Balogh, Beech and Grant streets, scheduled for last Saturday was postponed because of bad weather. Spaar said it is claimed conditions there constitute a fire hazard, especially for Bethany Recreation center.

Referring to the recently-passed license ordinance, Solicitor Wells said great interest is being evidenced by other municipalities in the State regarding the clause which imposes a 5 percent tax on gross receipts of the two local theaters.

He said it is a big task to prepare a brief in this case and he asked council to pay for a clerk to codify similar ordinances in other states as there are few similar statutes in Pennsylvania. It will cost, he said, about \$200 for the services of the clerk. "We think this is a just tax. However, if we lose in the legal action in the courts we can still retain the other provisions of the measure," he said.

An ordinance providing for the paving of Hutt alley in the Seventh ward near Rambler avenue passed second reading on motion of Fegley.

An ordinance amending an ordinance providing for safety measures in building bonfires, disposing of waste paper and fixing penalties for violations passed second reading on motion of Leon Dearolf, of the Eighth ward.

The tax ordinance fixing the rate at 14 mills passed second reading on motion of Creswell.

A petition containing more than 200 names was presented by Gerald J. Daly, of the Ninth ward. The signers seek bus service on State street as far as the northern borough limits. The petition will be sent to the Pottstown Rapid Transit company which may make application to the Public Utilities commission for action.

An ordinance providing for the laying of a new sewer line on Walnut street between Glasgow and Berks streets, a distance of 1940 feet, passed first reading on motion of J. Wayne Knause, of the Seventh ward.

The Montgomery County Housing authority asked council if it had any slum clearing program to report, as a Federal appropriation might be recommended. This was referred to the special housing committee.

Reports of the program at the State Boroughs association convention held last week at Harrisburg were given by Burgess Griffith, Borough Manager Dow I. Sears and Solicitor Wells.

Orders for bills totaling \$27,585.53 were passed.

Present were Ralph Weis, William Bernhart, Harry E. Yergey, Creswell, Mahlon Frick, Bush, Heck, Fegley, Lawler, William Romich, Dearolf, Spaar, William Twaddell, Knause, Reifsnnyder, Daly, Dr. W. L. Franck and Charles Satterthwaite. The invocation was made by the Rev. E. M. Cooper, pastor of New Hanover Lutheran church.

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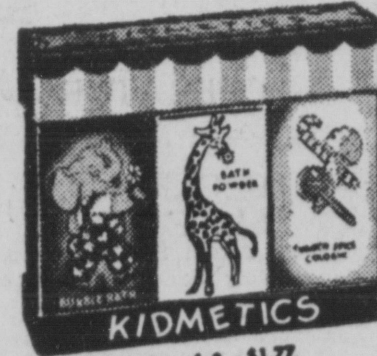
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Wolford said he called the Harrisburg office of the highway department yesterday requesting equipment from neighboring counties but was informed that all unused machinery was being shipped to western and northern counties where 100 percent of the roads are closed.
Ontonagon school, at Leesport, has been closed since Friday, it was reported, because buses which collect children were unable to operate.

Gotwals Asks Residents To Clear Blocked Gutters
A plea that local citizens clear their gutters in order to let melting ice and snow pass freely was made by Norman S. Gotwals, chairman of the street committee.
Gotwals suggested that the snow blocking gutters be piled on the sidewalk between the curb and the path travelled for pedestrians.
Sundays' rain, which turned streets and some sidewalks into pools of water, gave some indication of what is in store if gutters are not opened up. Many sidewalks remained uncleared as late as Monday night, with ice conditions on the south side of East Philadelphia avenue between Boyer's corner and South Chestnut street endangering pedestrians.

Eight New Members Join PTA Group
Thirty-one parents and friends attended the monthly meeting of the Washington school PTA last night in the library of the school.
Eight new members were added to the association. During the business meeting preceding the program a committee composed of Mrs. Paul E. Harner, Mrs. Daniel E. Landis, and Mrs. Hilda S. Leinbach were elected to nominate officers to serve during the 1947-1948 school year.
The names of the nominees will be presented at the April meeting and the officers will be installed in May.
The program began with the singing of "America, the Beautiful." Carl Berkly played a piano solo. The speaker was Mrs. Harry I. Gilbert, whose subject was "Forward Together."
Present at the meeting were Mrs. Rufus Muthard, Mrs. Ben T. Blom, Mrs. Sterling Keller, Mrs. Gordon Rose, Mrs. Samuel Weiss, Mrs. Arthur Schaefer, Mrs. Lester Berkly, Edna S. McWherry, Mrs. H. Henry, Mrs. Anna E. Carver, Mrs. Curtis K. Benfield, Mrs. Harner, Mrs. Paul Hoffman, Mrs. Irene Trout, Mrs. R. L. Pettyjohn, Mrs. Howard Reimer, Mrs. Constance Updegrave, Mrs. Guy Briel, Mrs. Landis, Mrs. George Y. Schoenly, Mrs. Alfred Haddad, Mrs. Daniel Rothenberger, Mrs. Charles Stauffer, Mrs. Leinbach, Mrs. Norman Hall, Ruth E. Brown, Dorothea M. Landenslager, Carl Berkly, Mrs. Walton Roodas, Mrs. Gilbert, and Samuel W. Weiss, president, who was in charge of the meeting.

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MEETINGS

Mid-week Lenten service in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Topic, "Fervent Prayer."

Mid-week Lenten service in Church of Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, tonight at 8:30 o'clock. Topic, "Why I Go to Church—to find fellowship."

Church council meeting of St. John's Lutheran church tonight at 8:30 o'clock in the church.

Consistory of Reformed church after mid-week service tonight in the church.

Chapel choir of St. John's Lutheran church tonight at 8:30 o'clock in the church.

Borough Policemen 'Eye' Pension Fund, Plan Is Explained

Discussion of a police pension fund was among additional highlights of the Monday night session of Boyertown Borough council in Town hall.

Police themselves suggested the plan. It was announced Borough Manager Ray Schoffstall pointed out that such a plan if accepted would have to come from payroll deductions plus whatever benefits the police themselves might be able to secure by means of activities like dances or dinners.

Council, he said, cannot make an allotment to such a fund under the borough code.

It was, however, pointed out that if the take-home pay of policemen should be materially decreased, there was nothing to prevent council's raising their salary to the extent of payroll deductions to make up the difference.

Discussion of proposed Smithson American Legion Home association annexation proceedings naturally raised the question of a more adequate water supply. Veteran council members pointed out that several years back the same topic was discussed when it was learned that insurance companies felt that water was not adequate for fire protection and that unless the borough did something, fire insurance rates would rise.

At that time, council had under advisement a plan for an additional reservoir on a tract in an area north of Fairview cemetery. It was reported that rights to this land were held up by reluctance of a holder to surrender his rights.

Claude W. Kline, president of council, pressed vigorously for more adequate water pressure, both for convenience to citizens and for fire protection.


Murray A. Crull, veteran councilman, urged additional revenue sources for the borough. Council as a unit endorsed this proposal. The suggested amusement fee was not made explicit but eyes will be on the present Pottstown theatre case now before the courts in a legality test.

Crull urged strongly a meeting with assessor Claude A. Croll to review present assessments.

Informal discussion of some communities which purchased power and light lines and meters from electric utility manufacturing companies took place. It was stated that an old ordinance apparently left open this path. If desirable, communities following this plan purchase the power wholesale and resell it to consumers at a profit to the borough.

House Committee Chairman Charles Edinger reported the installation of two fluorescent lights in councilmanic chambers, and they were used Monday night for the first regular time. Members agreed that they represented a big improvement over previous installations.

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Lloyd Stauffer Enrolls in Missouri School
Two eastern Berks county veterans of World War II have enrolled in a school of radio and television in Kansas City Mo. in a move to continue their study of electronics in peacetime.
They are Albert Stauffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Stauffer, 109 East Second street, and Wilmer Schultz, Hereford. They left Monday by auto for Kansas City to begin the course which will continue for a year.
Both youths were discharged several months ago from the Army after arriving home from Germany, where they served in radio and television work.

Choir Rehearsal Canceled
Chapel choir of St. John's Lutheran church will rehearse Friday at 3:30 p. m., as well as tonight at 8:30 o'clock. Because of this arrangement this week, there will be no junior choir practice Friday.

Boyerstown Chorus To Sing Saturday
Boyerstown High school will be represented among 22 Berks county schools who will participate in the annual All-Berks County Chorus Festival Saturday night in Wyomissing High school auditorium at 8 o'clock.
The program is divided into two parts, with a junior chorus of 200, voices and a senior group of 200. Both choruses will unite for the finale, which is Fred Waring's "Battle Hymn."
Schools in addition to Boyertown participating are Amity, Birdsboro, Bethel, Cermarvon, Exeter, Fleetwood, Monroton, Mt. Penn. Oley, Ontonagon, Penn. Perry, Robesonia, Shillington, Sinking Spring, Spring township, Tipton, West Reading, Womelsdorf, Wyomissing, and Muhlenberg.
Ida M. Reinert, director of vocal music in the local schools, is in charge of preparations here.

New Parking Signs Arrive in Borough
Relief from Boyertown's mid-town parking problem is expected soon. One-hour parking signs have arrived and their installation is expected soon. They will be erected in the business district. Absence of standards has made their erection impossible up to the present.

Police Chief Reports 174 Calls in Month
Calls for police during February totaled 174, according to a report submitted to Burgess James A. Fritz, Jr. by Arthur B. Hees, chief of police.
Other police activities for the month included auto accident investigations, 1; burglary 1 (adding machine at Harvey Y. Fryer garage on East Philadelphia avenue), complaints, 7; disorderly conduct, 1; auto subject arrested; funerals and other escorts, 6; and investigations, 7.
There was one case of malicious mischief, street lights reported out, 1; suspicion, 1 released, vagrancy, 1; with 1332 miles on police car.
Seventeen persons figured in parking violations, of whom eight were fined \$1 each and nine were reprimanded by Burgess Fritz. Two motorists were charged with ignoring the traffic signal at the intersection of Philadelphia and Reading avenues.

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Lions' Club Extends Hobby Fair Deadline
Closing date for entry of exhibits in the Lions club hobby show has been extended to Saturday.
Nearly 50 exhibits already have been received according to Lamar Smith, general chairman of the event to be held Friday and Saturday, March 21 and 22, in IOOF hall.
Original closing date for entries was today, but the extension is made to accommodate those who may still desire to register but have not as yet. Smith said last night.

PERSONALS
Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Eaton, 100F apartments East Philadelphia avenue spent Sunday with the Rev. and Mrs. Edward L. Schlingman, Lansdale.
W. J. Starrett Jr. spent the past weekend in Boyertown enroute to Oil City, where he is employed. His wife and daughter are now visiting in Boyertown and will join him later.

High School Notes
Jack Kline and Norman S. Gotwals Boyertown Community ambulance drivers, will present a first aid demonstration to students of the tenth grade in BHS auditorium at 12:42 p. m. today.
The program will highlight Red Cross first aid techniques and is a project of the biology classes of Winifred Y. Moyer, science teacher and tenth grade class adviser.
A truck accident will be dramatized by Kline and Gotwals and first aid treatment explained.
Lucille Klingamen, Moravian college, Bethlehem, will speak to college preparatory girls of the 12th and 11th grades in Room 303 at 1:30 p. m. today, as part of the school's guidance program.
Rehearsal for the barn dance routine in the school's annual gym exhibit scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, was held yesterday.
Initial tryouts for casting of the class of 1947's play, "The House of Flaming Lights," were held yesterday under supervision of Daniel A. Rohrbach, sponsor of the play. The drama will be presented in the school Tuesday, April 8.
Junior class will meet today at 2:35 p. m. in the school auditorium.

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Wolford said he called the Harrisburg office of the highway department yesterday requesting equipment from neighboring counties but was informed that all unused machinery was being shipped to western and northern counties where 100 percent of the roads are closed.

Ontelaunee school, at Leesport, has been closed since Friday, it was reported, because busses which collect children were unable to operate.

CHOIR REHEARSAL CANCELED

Chapel choir of St. John's Lutheran church will rehearse Friday at 3:30 p. m., as well as tonight at 8:30 o'clock. Because of this arrangement this week, there will be no junior choir practice Friday.

Gotwals Asks Residents To Clear Blocked Gutters

A plea that local citizens clear their gutters in order to let melting ice and snow pass freely was made by Norman S. Gotwals, chairman of the street committee.

Gotwals suggested that the snow blocking gutters be piled on the sidewalk between the curb and the path shovelled for pedestrians.

Sundays' rain, which turned streets and some sidewalks into pools of water, gave some indication of what is in store if gutters are not opened up. Many sidewalks remained uncleared as late as Monday night, with ice conditions on the south side of East Philadelphia avenue between Boyer's corner and South Chestnut street endangering pedestrians.

Boyerstown Chorus To Sing Saturday

Boyerstown High school will be represented among 22 Berks county schools who will participate in the annual All-Berks County Chorus Festival Saturday night in Wyomissing High school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

The program is divided into two parts, with a junior chorus of 200 voices and a senior group of 200. Both choruses will unite for the finale, which is Fred Waring's "Battle Hymn."

Schools in addition to Boyertown participating are Amity, Birdsboro, Bethel, Caernarvon, Exeter, Fleetwood, Mohnton, Mt. Penn, Oley, Ontelaunee, Penn, Perry, Robesonia, Shillington, Sinking Spring, Spring township, Tipton, West Reading, Womelsdorf, Wyomissing, and Muhlenberg.

Ida M. Reinert, director of vocal music in the local schools, is in charge of preparations here.

Lions' Club Extends Hobby Fair Deadline

Closing date for entry of exhibits in the Lions club hobby show has been extended to Saturday.

Nearly 50 exhibits already have been received, according to Lamar Smith, general chairman of the event to be held Friday and Saturday, March 21 and 22, in IOOF hall.

Original closing date for entries was today, but the extension is made to accommodate those who may still desire to register but have not as yet, Smith said last night.

Eight New Members Join PTA Group

Thirty-one parents and friends attended the monthly meeting of the Washington school PTA last night in the library of the school.

Eight new members were added to the association. During the business meeting preceding the program a committee composed of Mrs. Paul B. Harner, Mrs. Daniel B. Landis, and Mrs. Hilda S. Leinbach were elected to nominate officers to serve during the 1947-1948 school year.

The names of the nominees will be presented at the April meeting and the officers will be installed in May.

The program began with the singing of "America, the Beautiful." Carl Berkly played a piano solo. The speaker was Mrs. Harry I. Gilbert, whose subject was "Forward Together."

Present at the meeting were Mrs. Rufus Muthard, Mrs. Ben T. Blom, Mrs. Sterling Keller, Mrs. Gordon Rose, Mrs. Samuel Weiss, Mrs. Arthur Schaefer, Mrs. Lester Berkly, Edna S. Mecherly, Mae H. Henry, Mrs. Anna E. Carver, Mrs. Curtis K. Benfield, Mrs. Harner, Mrs. Paul Hoffman, Mrs. Irvin Trout, Mrs. R. L. Pettijohn, Mrs. Howard Reinert, Mrs. Constance Updegrave, Mrs. Guy Briel, Mrs. Landis, Mrs. George Y. Schoenly, Mrs. Alfred Haddad, Mrs. Daniel Rothenberger, Mrs. Charles Stauffer, Mrs. Leinbach, Mrs. Norman Heil, Ruth E. Brown, Dorothea M. Laudenslager, Carl Berkly, Mrs. Walton Bonds, Mrs. Gilbert, and Samuel W. Weiss, president, who was in charge of the meeting.

New Parking Signs Arrive in Borough

Relief from Boyertown's mid-town parking problem is expected soon.

One-hour parking signs have arrived and their installation is expected soon. They will be erected in the business district. Absence of standards has made their erection impossible up to the present.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Eaton, IOOF apartments, East Philadelphia avenue, spent Sunday with the Rev. and Mrs. Edward L. Schlingman, Lansdale.

W. J. Starrett Jr., spent the past weekend in Boyertown enroute to Oil City, where he is employed. His wife and daughter are now visiting in Boyertown and will join him later.

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MEETINGS

Mid-week Lenten service in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Topic, "Perseverant Prayer."

Mid-week Lenten service in Church of Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Topic, "Why I Go to Church—to find fellowship."

Church council meeting of St. John's Lutheran church tonight at 8:30 o'clock in the church.

Consistory of Reformed church after mid-week service tonight in the church.

Chapel choir of St. John's Lutheran church tonight at 6:30 o'clock in the church.

Police Chief Reports 174 Calls in Month

Calls for police during February totaled 174, according to a report submitted to Burgess James A. Fritz, by Arthur B. Heere, chief.

Other police activities for the month included auto accident investigations, 1; burglary, 1 (adding machine at Harvey Y. Fryer garage on East Philadelphia avenue); complaints, 7; disorderly conduct, 1; with subject arrested; funerals and other escorts, 6; and investigations, 7.

There was one case of malicious mischief; street lights reported out, 4; suspicion, 1; released; vagrancy, 1; with 1332 miles on police car.

Seventeen persons figured in parking violations, of whom eight were fined \$1 each and nine were reprimanded by Burgess Fritz. Two motorists were charged with ignoring the traffic signal at the intersection of Philadelphia and Reading avenues.

High School Notes

Jack Kline and Norman S. Gotwals, Boyertown Community ambulance drivers, will present a first aid demonstration to students of the tenth grade in BHS auditorium at 12:42 p. m. today.

The program will highlight Red Cross first aid techniques and is a project of the biology classes of Winifred Y. Moyer, science teacher and tenth grade class adviser. A mock accident will be dramatized by Kline and Gotwals and first aid treatment explained.

Lucille Klingamen, Moravian college, Bethlehem, will speak to college preparatory girls of the 12th and 11th grades in Room 203 at 1:30 p. m. today, as part of the school's guidance program.

Rehearsal for the barn dance routine in the school's annual gym exhibit scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, was held yesterday.

Initial tryouts for casting of the class of 1947's play, "The House of Flaming Lights," were held yesterday under supervision of Daniel A. Rohrbach, sponsor of the play. The drama will be presented in the school Tuesday, April 8.

Junior class will meet today at 2:55 p. m. in the school auditorium.

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Borough Policemen 'Eye' Pension Fund, Plan Is Explained

Discussion of a police pension fund was among additional highlights of the Monday night session of Boyertown Borough council in Town hall.

Police themselves suggested the plan, it was announced. Borough Manager Ray Schoffstall pointed out that such a plan if adopted would have to come from payroll deductions plus whatever benefits the police themselves might be able to secure by means of activities like dances or dinners.

Council, he said, could make an allotment to such a fund under the borough code.

It was, however, pointed out that if the take-home pay of policemen should be materially decreased, there was nothing to prevent council's raising their salary to the extent of payroll deductions to make up the difference.

Discussion of proposed Smithsonian Legion Home association annexation proceedings, naturally raised the question of a more adequate water supply. Veteran council members pointed out that several years back the same topic was discussed when it was learned that insurance companies felt that water was not adequate for fire protection and that unless the borough did something, fire insurance rates would rise.

At that time, council had under advisement a plan for an additional reservoir on a tract in an area north of Fairview cemetery. It was reported that rights to this land were held up by reluctance of a holder to surrender his rights.

Claude W. Kline, president of council, pressed vigorously for more adequate water pressure, both for convenience to citizens and for fire protection.

Murray A. Crull, veteran councilman, urged additional revenue sources for the borough. Council as a unit endorsed this proposal. The suggested amusement fee was not made explicit but eyes will be on the present Pottstown theatre case now before the courts in a legality test.

Crull urged strongly a meeting with assessor Claude A. Crull to review present assessments.

Informal discussion of some communities which purchased power and light lines and meters from electricity manufacturing companies took place. It was stated that an old ordinance apparently left open this path, if desirable. Communities following this plan purchase the power wholesale and resell it to consumers at a profit to the borough.

House Committee Chairman Charles Edinger reported the installation of two fluorescent lights in councilman chambers, and they were used Monday night for the first regular time. Members agreed that they represented a big improvement over previous installations.

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Clifton Heights Downs Colonels In Playoffs, 28-27

Freshman Joe Silverri broke through the Colonels' front lines and exploded for three quick points in the final two minutes to hand Collegeville its first defeat in 15 games.

For Collegeville, the 28-27 loss to Clifton Heights last night before a packed house on the Radnor High school court, meant the end of the trail in the Class C eliminations. The Colonels packed up and headed for home to put the uniforms and balls into storage for another year.

PARIS CLAIMS HE PAID \$500 TO NY GRIDDERS

Testify at Trial
Of Three Men Called
'Board of Directors'

NEW YORK, March 4 (AP)—Alvin J. Paris, residing at the trial of three men allegedly involved with him in trying to fix a professional football title game, said today he paid \$500 each to two New York Giants football stars as proceeds of wagers he made for them on their team in an earlier contest.

The bets were made on the Giants-Washington Redskins game Dec. 8, he testified. This contest, won by the Giants 31 to 0, was one week before the New York Giants' contest with the Chicago Bears for the National Professional League championship. The Bears won 24 to 14.

The dapper Paris, 28-year-old night-club figure, was convicted Jan. 8 of offering bribes to Frank Filchock and Merle Hapes, Giants' backfield players who he said today were the recipients of the \$500 each which he bet or them on the Redskins game.

Paris testified today Hapes was willing to go through with the attempt to "throw the Dec. 15 game, but Hapes' teaming agreed to accept any bribe.

The three defendants are David Krakauer, 44, Harvey Stemmer, 35, and Jerome Zarowitz, 32. Assistant District Attorney George P. Monaghan, in his opening statement in General Sessions court, described the trio as the "Board of Directors" behind Paris. Each of the men is charged with two bribery and one conspiracy count.

Stemmer, who is serving a prison term after conviction for attempted bribery of Brooklyn college basketball players two years ago, was described by Paris as the man who suggested the bribes to Filchock and Hapes to throw the Dec. 15 game. Paris said he also conferred frequently with Zarowitz and Krakauer on the scheme.

Amvets Seek 13th Win Against Scorpions As Roth Five Plays

The City League schedule is rapidly drawing to a close and two games have been listed for tonight on the Junior High school court. The final regularly scheduled contest will be waged tomorrow night and the playoffs between the top four teams will get under way Monday night.

In the first game at 7:15 o'clock, the Amvets will meet the Scorpions in search of their 13th win while Roth's tangle with the S'owes Quilt Club in the finale of the evening. The Amvets and Roth's are tied for first place in the league standings.

Duquesne and Navy Accept Tourney Bids

NEW YORK, March 4 (AP)—Two more crack collegiate fives joined the post-season tournament fields today with Duquesne's acceptance of a bid to play in the New York National Invitation tournament and Navy's selection as the District Three representatives in the N.C.A.A. Championships.

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Musial Signs for 1947



Eddie Dyer (left), manager of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, shakes hands with his first baseman, Stan Musial, voted most valuable player in the National League last season, after Musial agreed to salary terms for 1947 at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Seeders' 5 Turns Back UAW In 1st Game of Final Playoffs

WOODY LUDWIG QUITS BUCKNELL; TAKES PMC JOB

Signs as Football,
Basketball Coach
And Athletic Director

J. Elwood "Woody" Ludwig, former Pottstown High and University of Pennsylvania athlete, has been appointed athletic director, head football and basketball coach at Pennsylvania Military college, Colonel Frank K. Hyatt, PMC president and commandant announced last night.

Ludwig starred in four sports while in high school and captained the Trojan basketball team two years in succession. He then went on to the University of Pennsylvania where he played three sports, basketball, track and football.

Ludwig then took to coaching and turned out powerful basketball and football teams at Northampton and Shamokin before moving on to Bucknell university where he mentored the basketball and track teams and was assistant football coach.

Colonel Hyatt announced that Ludwig, who has three years of experience at Bucknell, signed a two-year contract to succeed St. Paulus.

Ludwig will take over his new duties April 1 but will meet several times with the Cadets from now until that time.

The 26-year-old former Pottstown ace joined the Bucknell coaching staff in August of 1943 and for a time, served as athletic director at the university.

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Stu Adams, all-state courtman last year from Radnor High school, led his Swedeland All-Stars to a 48-45 triumph over the Pottstown Steelers last night before 200 fans at the local Junior High school.

The game was arranged through the Pottstown Recreation Commission.

Adams, one of the finest 18 year old basketball players to be found, zipped the cords for 15 points but it was his all around fine play that enabled his teammates to chalk up a victory.

The Negro flash, with one of the finest assortment of shots to be found, never seemed to be worried and was always there when Swedeland needed a field goal.

The Steelers, a group of Pottstown High school underclassmen who have organized a team, put up a gallant struggle throughout the entire contest but could never catch Adams and company.

Passing up numerous attempts at field goals, Adams was content to dish out a pass here and one there that many times resulted in twin pointers.

Brower Yerger and Booby Manger, paced the Steelers attack with 16 and 11 points respectively. Yerger, playing a fine game, carried away scoring honors for the evening. Don Ziegler had 10 counters for the losers.

In the preliminary tilt, the eighth graders trimmed the ninth grade combine, 28-19 as Paul Dittenhofer had 10 points.

Steelers	G	P	P	All-Stars	G	P	P
Stolar, f	3	1	1	Wentzel, f	1	0	2
Reger, f	8	0	16	Adams, f	3	2	8
Stinlock, c	0	0	0	Murphy, f	6	2	14
Fick, c	0	0	0	Adams, c	7	1	15
Manger, k	5	1	10	Caldonato, k	2	2	6
Ludwig, k	8	0	1	Carr, k	1	1	3
Rath, c	0	0	0				
Ziegler, k	2	4	0				
Celant, c	0	0	0				
Totals	19	7	45	Totals	20	8	48
Steelers	12	5	14	13-45			
All Stars	12	11	14	11-45			

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Neyhard, c	1	1	7	Kricke, c	3	2	8
Dininni, f	0	2	2	Dittenho, k	4	2	10
DeBlase, c	2	0	4	Fezek, k	0	0	0
Pepko, k	0	0	0	Ibach, k	1	0	2
Totals	7	5	19	Totals	12	4	28
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Nick Dininni's Foul Goal Gives Golden Cub Cagers a 20-19 Win Over Faculty in Extra Period

Nick Dininni's foul in the final seven seconds of an extra period enabled the Pottstown Junior High school Golden Cub quintet to successfully wind up its season with a 20-19 decision over the Faculty before a crowd of 300 screaming fans who were all out for the youngsters.

Trailing 12-11 at the three quarter mark, the Cubs fought back to deadlock the count at 17-17 at the end of the regulation game. A field goal by Lou Maraffe with 12 seconds remaining in the fourth period knotted the count and sent the game into overtime.

The Faculty drew first blood in the three minute extra stanza as Spence Lessig tossed in a field goal with but one minute remaining. Doug DeBlase was good for a twin pointer tying the score and setting the stage for Dininni's game winning free toss.

The winners opened up a 3-1 first period advantage and held an 8-4 margin at intermission. The Faculty came back strong with eight points in the third period to take the lead.

DeBlase led all scorers with four field goals for eight points while Maraffe and Lessig each had a half dozen counters for the Faculty.

It was the final game for Barney Repko, George Seidel, Pete Peroni, Dick Neyhard, Dininni and DeBlase.

The Tigers nosed out the Pottstown Junior High javvies, 16-15, in the windup of the afternoon. Building up an 8-4 first half lead, the winners

MUSIAL IN FINE SHAPE	ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 4 (AP)—
"That guy don't need Spring training" was the opinion of visitors to the St. Louis Cardinals training site today as Stan Musial hit the ball all over the park on his first day of batting practice.	
"Stan is in fine shape," said Manager Eddie Dyer, "but you know he always keeps himself in trim."	

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Overdorf and Reinnour
May Get Jobs With
Champs on Farm Club

The big circuit has beckoned to two more Royersford youths, who will leave next week to report for training.

Latest to be picked up by a big league scout are two Rays—Ray Overdorf and Ray Reinnour, teammates on Royersford High school athletic teams for several years, and both graduates of the 1946 class.

Overdorf and Reinnour are scheduled to leave here Thursday or Friday of next week for Albany, Ga. for a 30-day training period with the St. Louis Cardinals of the National League. If they make good, they will be assigned to a farm club of the Cardinals.

Robert W. Heffline, also of Royersford, trained with a farm club of the Chicago White Sox of the American league the past season. He is due to leave soon for spring training with the Fall River, Mass., team under contract with the White Sox. He is an outfielder and had a batting average of .317 the past season, including nine homers.

Overdorf is a second baseman and shortstop. Reinnour is a catcher.

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Clifton Heights Downs Colonels In Playoffs, 28-27

Freshman Joe Silverri broke through the Colonels' front lines and exploded for three quick points in the final two minutes to hand Collegeville its first defeat in 15 games.

For Collegeville, the 28-27 loss to Clifton Heights last night before a packed house on the Radnor High school court, meant the end of the trail in the Class C eliminations. The Colonels packed up and headed for home to put the uniforms and balls into storage for another year.

With only two minutes remaining and the score deadlocked at 25-25, Silverri dropped in a foul goal to give Clifton Heights a slim 26-25 lead. Silverri came back a moment later and tabbed a field goal to make it 28-25 and Collegeville didn't get time to break it up.

Don DeWane zipped the cords for a field goal in the closing seconds to bring the score to 28-27, but the damage was already done and Clifton Heights emerged from the battle victorious.

The Colonels started a drive early in the first period and held a two-point lead when the quarter ended. The winners cut the lead to one point in the second frame as Collegeville left the floor for the half-time pep talk sporting a 17-16 advantage.

Clifton Heights opened a drive in the third frame aimed straight for the Collegeville basket and went ahead at the end of the quarter, 22-20. The Colonels tied it up at 22-22 but the winners forged into the lead again only to have Collegeville make it 25-25 with a field goal and a foul.

Silverri, winner of the scoring race in Section Five, then took over and spearheaded the final drive which meant victory for Clifton Heights.

Ted Wiles' Colonels, who only had trouble with Royersford and Pennsburg during the regular season, met their match last night and couldn't stop the offensive power of the Clifton Heights aggregation.

Silverri was the top scorer of the evening with 12 points via five field goals and two fouls. Runnerup spot went to Collegeville's Les Hawkins who tabbed eight counters.

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G. F. P. G. F. P.
Bock, f 2 1 5 Davis, f 1 1 3
DeWane, f 1 0 2 McAllen, f 3 0 6
Moyer, f 3 0 6 J. Silverri, c 5 2 12
Claycomb, c 1 0 2 L. Silverri, g 2 3 7
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Ursinus Bears Meel Haverford Tonight
Coach Jerry Seeders' Ursinus Bears close up their home season tonight when they play host to Haverford college. A junior varsity contest will precede the main tilt at 8:30 o'clock.

Seeders' cagers have registered a record of seven victories and five losses but chances of bettering this slate appear rosy, what with the league's two weak sisters, Haverford and PMC, left to play.

For Ursinus tonight, Bob Jaffe and Dave Ziegler will start at forwards with Jack Snyder scheduled to handle the center's duties. Bill Forsyth and Bill Meyers are Seeders' choice to be at guards.

BASKETBALL RESULTS
COLLEGE
Villanova 46
Indiana Teachers 65 Alliance 47
Allegheny 50
Kanas 38
Lafayette 41
Cincinnati 61
Georgetown 57
Boston Univ. 60
LaSalle 53
Harvard 64
St. Johns 57
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Rochester 55
Cleveland 82

Duquesne and Navy Accept Tourney Bids
NEW YORK, March 4 (P)—Two more crack collegiate fives joined the post-season tournament fields today with Duquesne's acceptance of a bid to play in the New York National invitation tourney and Navy's selection as the District Three representatives in the N.C.A.A. Championships.

BUSY TIME AHEAD
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Nick Dininni's foul in the final seven seconds of an extra period enabled the Pottstown Junior High school Golden Cub quintet to successfully wind up its season with a 20-19 decision over the Faculty before a crowd of 300 screaming fans who were all out for the youngsters.

Trailing 12-11 at the three quarter mark, the Cubs fought back to deadlock the count at 17-17 at the end of the regulation game. A field goal by Lou Maraffe with 12 seconds remaining in the fourth period knotted the count and sent the game into overtime.

The Faculty drew first blood in the three minute extra stanza as Spence Lessig tossed in a field goal with but one minute remaining. Doug DeBlase was good for a twin pointer tying the score and setting the stage for Dininni's game winning free toss.

The winners opened up a 3-1 first period advantage and held an 8-4 margin at intermission. The Faculty came back strong with eight points in the third period to take the lead.

DeBlase led all scorers with four field goals for eight points while Maraffe and Lessig each had a half dozen counters for the Faculty.

It was the final game for Barney Repko, George Seidel, Pete Peroni, Dick Neyhard, Dininni and DeBlase.

The Tigers nosed out the Pottstown Junior High jayves, 16-15, in the windup of the afternoon. Building up an 8-4 first half lead, the winners

fought off a second half rally and gained a close decision.
Stan Chaplin led the losers with seven counters while Specht had six for the winners.

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Ricketts, f 0 1 1 McCurdy, f 0 0 0
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2 ROYERSFORD BOYS TO TRAIN WITH CARDINALS

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Latest to be picked up by a big league scout are two Rays—Ray Overdorf and Ray Reintour, teammates on Royersford High school athletic teams for several years, and both graduates of the 1946 class.

Overdorf and Reintour are scheduled to leave here Thursday or Friday of next week for Albany, Ga., for a 30-day training period with the St. Louis Cardinals of the National league. If they make good, they will be assigned to a farm club of the Cardinals.

Robert W. Heffline, also of Royersford, trained with a farm club of the Chicago White Sox of the American league the past season. He is due to leave soon for spring training with the Fall River, Mass., team under contract with the White Sox. He is an outfielder and had a batting average of .317 the past season, including nine homers.

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8 a.m.	Musical Clock	Marshall Dane	Musical Clock	Mac McGuire News
8:15				Right Side
8:30				
8:45				
9 a.m.	Smith Welles	At Home With The Galneys	Morning Extra	News: Sonics Chatter Bar Hollywood Corner
9:15	Public Schools Morning Varior	Bill Morrell	Breakfast Club	Keys to Happiness News
9:30				Erskine Johnson Hits & Encores
10 a.m.	Newsroom	Bease Howard Shopping Fun	My True Story	C. Brown, news M. Starr orch.
10:15	Nelson Olmstead	Dr. Malone	True Story	Easy Does It Victor Lindahl
10:30	Road of Life	Strange Romance	Byline	
10:45	Joe Jordan	David Harum	Listening Post	
11 a.m.	Fred Waring	South America For Women Only	Breakfast In Hollywood	
11:15	Jack Berch	Rosemary	Hollywood Story	
11:30	Lora Lawton		Ted Malone	
11:45				
AFTERNOON				
12 m.	News	Kate Smith Lunchtimes	Kenny Baker Show Solow News (12:55)	Lobby Parley Check'd Jamor's Time Out
12:15				
12:30				
12:45				
1 p.m.	Melody Magic	Big Sister Ma Perkins	Baukhage Talks Keyboard Kapers	Mac McGuire Little Show
1:15				
1:30	Ruth Welles	Dr. Malone	News (1:55)	Genia of Melody Exploring Music
1:45				
2 p.m.	Today's Children	2nd Mrs. Burton	Cliff Edwards Book Magic	Do Re Mi A Russell, songs Queen for a Day
2:15	Woman in White	Lois Journey	Book Magic	Heart's Desire Melody Matinee
2:30	Light of World	Rose of Dreams	Ladies Be Seated Mr. and Mrs. Wiffl House	Happiness Memory Lane Easy Money Buck Rogers
2:45				
3 p.m.	Life Beautiful	News	Wiffl House	Hop Harrigan Superman Capt. Midnight Tom Mix
3:15	Ma Perkins	For Women Only		
3:30	Pepper Young Rt. to Happiness	Hint Hunt		
3:45				
4 p.m.	Backstage Wife	House Party		
4:15	Stella Dallas	Hollywood Jackpot		
4:30	Lorenzo Jones			
4:45	Widder Brown			
5 p.m.	When Girl Weds	American School Of the Air	Terry & Pirates Sky King	
5:15	Portia's Life	Rhona Lloyd	Jack Armstrong	
5:30	Just Plain Bill	Bob Elson		
5:45	Pat Page Farrell			
EVENING				
6 p.m.	News: Talk Drama: Music	J. Reeves, news Sports	Magie Lady Sing Crosby	6 P.M. Extra Johnson Family News: News Uncle Wip
6:15	Frank Coleman	Elmer Trent	Tom Moorehead N. Black orch.	News: News Uncle Wip
6:30	Lowell Young			
6:45				
7 p.m.	Supper Club	Mystery of Week Jack Smith	News E. Davis, news The Lone Ranger Cowboy Drama	News: News Uncle Wip
7:15	Hollywood Theatre	Elly Queen	Lum & Abner Skip Farrell Willie Power	News: News Uncle Wip
7:30				
7:45				
8 p.m.	Dennis Day	Jack Carson	Paul Whiteman Variety Show Pot of Gold	News: News Uncle Wip
8:15				
8:30	Great Gildersleeve	Dr. Christian News (8:55)	Henry Morgan	News: News Uncle Wip
8:45				
9 p.m.	Duffy's Tavern	Frank Sinatra	News Night Serenade Come and Dance	News: News Uncle Wip
9:15				
9:30	Mr. District Attorney	Dinah Shore	News Night Serenade Come and Dance	News: News Uncle Wip
9:45				
10 p.m.	Fabulous Dr. Twenty	Juvenile Delinquency Drama	News Night Serenade Come and Dance	News: News Uncle Wip
10:15	Key Keyer			
10:30	Variety Show			
10:45				
11 p.m.	News: Caravan	News: Powers Gouraud Invitation to Music	News Night Serenade Come and Dance	News: News Uncle Wip
11:15	Caravan			
11:30				
11:45				
12 p.m.	Caravan: News	Utah Symphony	Sports and News	Bandwagon

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TODAY'S Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

1. Jolts
2. Strike, as with the hand
3. Custom
4. Particles
5. Near (poet.)
6. Game
7. Shanty
8. Lowest note (Guido's)
9. Disfigure
10. Roman pound
11. Pierces, as with a knife
12. Accomplish
13. Exclamation
14. "Little" has lost her sheep
15. Mother of Isaac (Bib.)
16. Transparent substance
17. Desired
18. Land-measure
19. Close to
20. English writer
21. Doctor of Medicine (abbr.)
22. Tear
23. River (It.)
24. Meadow
25. Grapes
26. Monetary unit (Pol.)
27. Dull
28. Projecting roof edges
29. Border
30. Colors, as fabrics

DOWN

1. Roman god
2. Incite
3. Narrow inlet (geol.)
4. Walk pompously
5. Little girl
6. Cut off, as tree tops
7. A kind of bomb
8. Processions
9. A sunken fence
10. Sharpens, as a razor
11. Flap
12. Part of a chair back (Prov. Eng.)
13. Constellation
14. Organ of hearing
15. Beetle
16. A prose composition
17. Goddess of death
18. Slant
19. Percolated
20. Apportions
21. Whiskers
22. Marsh
23. Part of a chair back (Prov. Eng.)
24. Constellation
25. Organ of hearing
26. Beetle
27. A prose composition
28. Goddess of death
29. Slant
30. Percolated
31. Apportions

Yesterday's Answer

37. Periods of time

38. Spotted

39. Cherish

40. Scold

41. Anger

42. Place

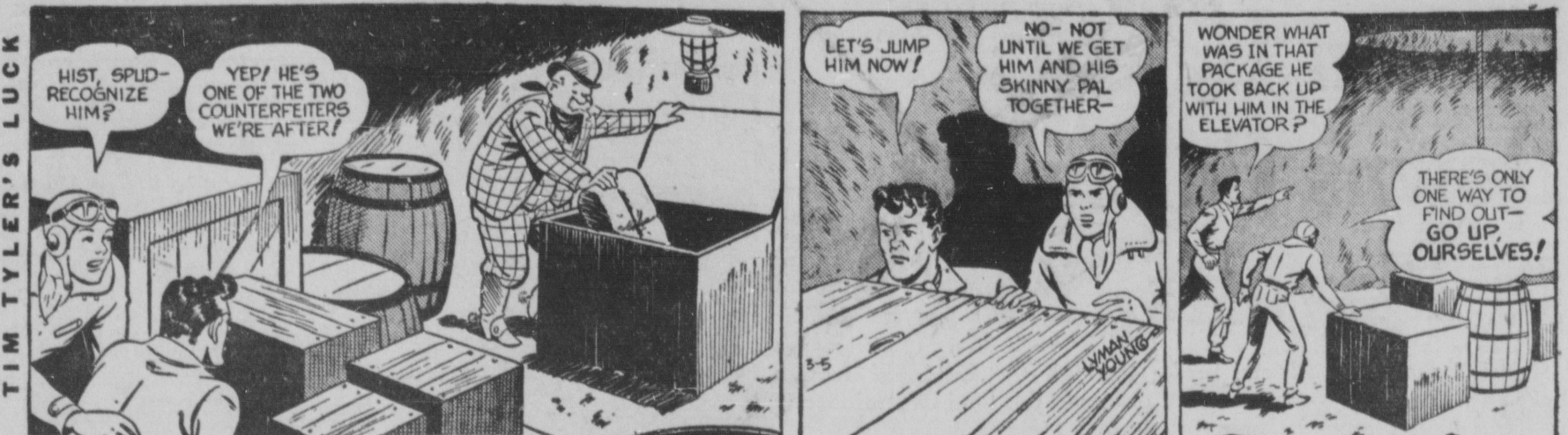
CRYPTOQUOTE—A cryptogram quotation

TJB EJK KMERFLMJT BPML JT

PVRLMLR, PTK ORPHLO JT UJLO!

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Yesterday's Cryptogram: AND THERE IS EVEN A HAPPINESS THAT MAKES THE HEART AFRAID—HOOD.



State Senate Group Buries Holland Bill

HARRISBURG, March 4 (AP)—A Senate committee turned thumbs down today on a bill to require members of the General Assembly to disclose the source of their income but the action did not definitely kill the measure.

Sen. John M. Walker (R-Allegheny) chairman of the Senate judiciary general committee, said any member of the group could bring up the bill at any later meeting for further action.

Sen. Elmer J. Holland (D-Allegheny) sponsor of the measure, said he threatened to try to force the bill from committee by asking the Senate, itself, to vote on the question of a parliamentary maneuver which seldom succeeds.

The bill would require each member of the House and Senate to file a statement setting forth "completely and in detail" the source of all income received by the legislator for the past two years.

Walker said the committee discussed the measure at length but "no one seemed to favor it." Holland, he said, attended the meeting and "was given every opportunity to sell it to the committee."

Under the bill, Walker told a reporter, "if a member happened to be a grocer he would have to list the name of each person to whom he sold a can of beans."

Striking Students To Return to Classes

MT. CLEMENS, Mich., March 4 (AP)—The strike of high school students here has become a civic problem here was off again tonight.

Student leaders announced in advance of a meeting of school board members and parents that classes would be attended tomorrow.

Most of the 1400 students have been absent since Friday in a strike protesting the unexplained release of Principal Monte McFarlane, a schoolmaster here for 18 years.

McFarlane, who has pleaded with the strikers to return, warned today that all absentees tomorrow would find a debit marked against their study records.

On Saturday leaders of the classroom walkout said the strikers would return Monday. Later they reversed their decision and the strike continued.

TREASURY BALANCE

WASHINGTON, March 4 (AP)—The Treasury position Feb. 28: Receipts \$207,365,966.29; expenditures \$182,166,586.29; balance \$7,133,877,420.43; Total debt \$261,605,941,876.27; increase over previous day \$44,548,713.46.

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Three Leap to Death in Rooming House Fire

CHICAGO, March 4 (AP)—Four elderly persons—three of them leaping from a third floor window—and six were injured when fire early today partly destroyed a four-story rooming house on the near west side where 100 persons lived.

The dead were Michael Kristovisich, 47; his wife, 47; Warren C. Crockett, 70; and an unidentified man about 70 years old whose body was found in a charred attic bedroom.

The Kristovisichs and Crockett leaped in rapid succession from the same window, landing on the building's concrete front steps, after flames made the third floor room untenable.

Scores of tenants fled from the building down a fire escape, and a number jumped from a third floor window to the roof of an adjacent building.

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Tord High Juniors Card Annual Play

"The Life of the Party" will be presented by Royersford High school juniors as the annual class play Friday and Saturday nights, March 28 and 29, in the auditorium of the high school.

Miss Jacqueline Clark is directing the cast of 17 players, comprising the leads, taken by John Grant, Franklin and Doreen Barnes, and the following others: Theresa Alexander, Molly Mallard, Jean and William Miller, Elwood Place, Polly Holdenbrand, Marion Foster, Gloria Mosteller, Barbara Stiles, Jayne Kirland, Otto Roessler, Jack Miles, Eddie Dreifelbus, Richard Wells and Doris Moyer.

Friendship Company

Accepts Seven Members

Royersford Friendship Fire company conducted a routine monthly meeting last night. Seven new members were elected and ten propositions for membership were received. Four fire alarms were reported for the past month.

William James was appointed to the fire police and Benjamin Penny-packer was named chairman of the festival committee. The annual festival was arranged for Friday and Saturday, June 13 and 14.

The purchase of uniforms for the football team was authorized and plans were made for a minstrel show to be given by the parade and uniform committee March 22.

Sportsmen to See Sound Movie Monday

A sound movie, "Clean Waters," will be shown at the next monthly meeting of Royersford Hunting and Fishing association, to be held Monday night at 8 o'clock in Friendship firehouse.

The film will be shown by Ellen A. Dietrich, State lecturer. All members and other sportsmen have been invited to attend.

President Irvin Clemens announced the release of pheasants planned the past Sunday, has been postponed because of the weather.

A rabbit drive, also planned for a recent date, was postponed. Another rabbit drive has been arranged for Sunday, beginning at 10 a. m. at Ridge avenue and Bells Mill road, Norborough.

Hospital Notes

Alice Maharg, Royersford, has been admitted to Phoenixville hospital. Mrs. Wilbur Baldwin and daughter, Spring City, were discharged.

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TRUMAN —

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Aleman spoke after Mr. Truman teased him as the "perfect host and great man."

This ceremony followed a morning in which this cheering, hand-clapping capital delighted the visiting executive with a fiesta of folk dancing and singing in smacked national stadium.

The United States executive sat for two hours with Aleman while hundreds of Mexican boys and girls unfolded to his obvious delight ceremonies as old as Mexico itself.

President Aleman accompanied his across-the-border visitor to the United States embassy where he was guest of honor at a Truman luncheon, having played host himself at a state dinner in the national palace last night.

Before going to the fiesta to sit with an audience almost as colorful as the performers, the United States president performed two solemn functions while applauding crowds looked on with approval.

He laid a huge wreath of calla lilies and carnations at the base of the independence monument, erected as a memorial to Mexico's struggle to throw off the Spanish yoke in 1810.

From there he drove with Aleman to Chapultepec palace where he placed another wreath on the monument to Los Ninos heroes the Mexican cadets who fell in defense of the citadel against U S forces in 1847.

SIGN TREATY —

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liance and mutual assistance defines the arrangements worked out between the two powers for establishing on a firm basis and within the framework of collective security as laid down by the charter of the United Nations the reciprocal and special guarantees which they contemplate to prevent the recurrence of a German menace.

"On the occasion of the signing of this treaty, the foreign ministers of Great Britain and France expressed the hope that these guarantees will soon be completed by the conclusion of a four-power treaty laying down conditions for the disarmament and demilitarization of Germany and the methods of putting them into effect."

Bevin, en route to the Moscow conference of the big four foreign ministers' council, said before the signing:

"I think that Russia realizes that this treaty is not a western bloc but only a step in the pattern of universal peace."

"We are now realizing that peace is really individual and must be re-established that way."

"We are trying to build a durable peace, step by step, and it is better to go slower and be patient, rather than to go quickly and make mistakes."

Bidault has announced that the same treaty provisions would be offered to "the other great allies and to The Netherlands, Belgium, Poland and Czechoslovakia. The treaty also has been described as a possible forerunner of a big four pact such as that proposed the past year by former U.S. Secretary of State James P. Byrnes to cement allied accord in relations with Germany."

Thomas said the Russians obtained the patents by having "their front agencies" in the United States order them. On January 2, 1945, he said, a "dummy agency" known as the Four Continent Book corporation, 253 Fifth avenue, New York City, called for all patents for 1942 and part of 1943.

"They did it by having the Amiro Trading corporation of 210 Madison avenue, New York City, official trading agency of the USSR in the United States, place orders for thousands of patents in every field," he added.

"They did it by having the Soviet purchasing commission of 210 Madison avenue, New York City, file huge orders and by having their embassy and consulate offices in the United States likewise place orders."

They even had the Soviet legation in Ottawa, Canada, placing orders.

"This is a sample of how Russia uses her allies," Thomas commented. "They are mere birds to be picked clean and get nothing in return."

He suggested that Secretary of State Marshall take to the forthcoming Moscow conference "a copy of my remarks" and "cite it as an example of the type of co operation we are receiving from Moscow."

Railroads of the United States issue and disburse 80 million travel tickets annually in normal times. During the war years, the number was much higher.

Tanker Lyons Creek Damaged by Blast

HOUSTON, Tex., March 4 (AP)—A terrific explosion of gasoline fumes almost ripped the tanker Lyons Creek in two here today sending seven men to hospitals and rocking the entire ship channel area.

The blast blew a 30-foot square hole completely through the vessel, from below the water line to the deck plates and splintered a portion of City Dock No. 8, where the vessel is berthed.

None of the injured was in a critical condition, although all of them were aboard the tanker and only a few yards from the center of the blast.

The Lyons Creek, a 6000-ton tanker registered at Philadelphia, was tied up at the dock for repairs. The ship had hauled some 125,000 barrels of high octane aviation gasoline to Houston, from Hull, England, where the fuel had been stored for army use during the war.

Capt. Hans Engelsen, Staten island, N. Y., skipper of the Lyons Creek, was not aboard at the time of the blast and could not immediately estimate the damage.

The Lyons Creek lay listing at her dock tonight with fire equipment standing by against the danger of a spark touching off the 200 to 300 barrels of fuel oil coating the water.

"If that happens, it will make the first explosion look like a firecracker," acting chief George Richardson warned. Richardson said the wind and tide were backing the oil under the piers, which made it an even more serious hazard.

WEATHER —

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and north of here, but one way in places, Schuylkill road from Pottstown to Parkersford (one way in places); Route 23 (Ridge road), passable but one way in places; Upper Lewis road, same condition; Route 73 from Royersford to Zieglerville, same condition; Route 563 from Pottstown to Pennsburg, open but dangerous; Route 83 from Elverson to Glen Moore, same shape, and Route 113 from Phoenixville to Lionville, same condition.

In addition to practically all secondary roads, the route from Glen Moore to Nantuxal was reported still blocked yesterday. Highway department apparatus is being shunted to the secondary roads and is still working on a 24-hour basis.

Pottstown's streets got the final touches yesterday as gutters were dug out and some bad crossings were cleared. W. Earl Petteger, street foreman, said last night:

He warned motorists to be careful of deep ruts at some crossroads. These were made by trucks, he said, and have since frozen solid. They would be very dangerous if struck recklessly.

W. R. Crossdale, road contractor, is still clearing Lower Pottsgrove of its burden of snow, he said.

Court Rules Against Teachers' Salary Boost

NORRISTOWN, March 4 (AP)—Hopes held by the 40 teachers of Upper Moreland township for salary increase were dimmed today as Judge George C. Brown of Montgomery county court ruled the school district can't grant raises at the present time.

The judge's opinion, given in reply to a petition for a declaratory judgment filed by the school district, said that the present economic situation doesn't constitute a state of emergency in accordance with terms of the school code.

The petition was filed by the school directors after the teachers had asked for \$300 a year increases.

SPY SUSPECT FREED
OTTAWA, March 4 (AP)—Canada's 17th espionage trial came to a swift conclusion here today with the acquittal of Israel Halperin, 36, former Queen's university mathematics professor and former army major who was charged with conspiring to communicate confidential information to Russia.

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TAXI RATES —

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tion on this present application since well-researched and fully-backed report on rates of all local cab companies might prove effective before the commission in an outright appeal for lower rates.

The council agreed with Bush and formally passed a motion to accept Harp's notification.

J. Max Oreswell, chairman of the finance committee, said that a special committee should be appointed to investigate the taxi fares.

"The finance committee has enough to do already," he added. He made a motion to investigate the fares, and the motion was carried unanimously.

William Romich said that he believed the taxi companies cannot charge in excess of the PUC rates and suggested that the special committee look into the PUC rates carefully since, he averred, "I believe the taxi companies in Pottstown are charging higher than the PUC allows."

E. R. Heck spoke briefly on the old taxi meeting in Pottstown, and Harry Yeryer, who said he was a taxi driver himself at one time, said that rates such as \$1 to the Firestone plant are "too much" and that he didn't believe the cab companies were charging uniform fares.

Bush then appointed a special investigating committee headed by William T. Fiedel.

The clash of personalities, which at its climax became as heated as the smoke-filled councilroom, involved Ralph Thomas, one of the borough's auditors, Wells, Borough Manager Dow I. Sears, and the entire council.

The flare-up evolved slowly, bit by bit, and culminated in the following submission of the 1946 auditors' report, that the borough secretary should not be allowed to cancel any tax accounts on his own.

"Write-offs," the auditor recommended, "should be hereafter referred to the borough solicitor and the entire council should be made cognizant of them."

Bush's proper parliamentary procedure, suggested that possibly from now on "write-offs be submitted to the finance committee and the solicitor."

Solicitor Wells then presented a motion in which the write-offs for 1946 be accepted.

"After all," he added, "most of those bills owed passed out of our jurisdiction under the statute of limitations, and we were lucky to get what we did."

Creswell said that he had "full confidence in Manager Sears" and he moved to accept the write-offs for 1946.

Sears spoke in his behalf, pointing out that unjust bills may be often written off, and that "you can't expect to collect on them." He reminded council that with the purchase of the water company, many hundreds of bills will be written-off in a year, and that to follow Thomas' suggestion would mean bringing each one before council.

Bush called for a resolution accepting the 1946 write-offs. It was carried, but Wells reminded the councilmen that to make such a resolution effective, a detailed account of each write-off must be included.

It was then that he turned to Thomas and asked if the auditors could prepare a list of write-offs for him.

Thomas retorted: "We can't stand them all. The borough's records are too bad. We haven't all the sewer accounts."

Thomas recommended that the tax liens be on record at borough hall "where we could find them."

"They're intact in my office," Wells answered.

"They should be in borough hall," repeated Thomas.

"You are at liberty to see them at any time," Wells pointed out. Creswell, chairman of the airport committee, asked the council

Slain by Intruder



A stenographer, Frieda Denny, 33, was stabbed to death in her Oakland, Calif., hotel room by a mysterious assailant. Before she died, she told police a man entered her room by the fire escape and attempted to attack her. The intruder escaped.

for authority to appoint two local appraising boards to appraise two or more possible sites for the proposed airport, according to government specifications.

Sears explained that although it was hoped that "some public-spirited appraisers might do the work for nothing," the authority should be granted with the stipulation that the council pay any costs involved.

The authority was granted by roll call, since possible outlay of funds was involved. Of the 17 councilmen present, 15 voted "Yes" and Leon Dearolf and Heck refrained from voting.

The present status of the water company purchase was explained by Wells, who commented, "We must agree that the work of the stockholders committee has been wonderful in getting all 12,500 shares in escrow."

He explained that the borough's next step would be taken sometime this week when application for purchase of the company is filed with the PUC. "I am confident they will approve the purchase," he added.

Leonard Leaf Suffers Stroke at Bank Session

President Leonard Leaf, of the National Bank of Pottstown, collapsed yesterday morning at a meeting of the bank board of directors and Dr. Barton K. Thomas was summoned.

Suffering from a stroke, Leaf was taken to his home, 171 North Hanover street, and yesterday afternoon he was removed to Pottstown hospital.

Union Official Tells Of Meeting Procedure

Gerard Schafflander, an official of the Amalgamated Shirt Workers of America, told a meeting of Local 138 last night how to better their meetings.

A program he outlined will be put into effect at the next meeting. Complaints and reports were given in the regular business session which preceded the talk.

It was announced that the local will move to new quarters its next meeting in April will be held in the new Singer building on King street near Franklin.

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GREEK CRISIS —

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to make Korea "another Communist puppet state" through tactics of "force, bribery and exile."

The note from Athens spoke of "the declaration and declaration of her people and the destruction of her economy through four invasions and protracted enemy occupation."

It said "It is impossible to exaggerate the magnitude of the difficulties that beset" the Greeks.

Prime Minister D. Maximos and Foreign Minister C. Tsaldaris said in the note:

"The need is great. The determination of the Greek people to do all in their power to restore Greece as a self-supporting, self-respecting democracy is also great, but the destruction in Greece has been so complete as to rob the Greek people of the power to meet the situation by themselves. It is because of these circumstances that they turn to America for aid."

The note of crisis was heightened the past week by a note from Britain reportedly pleading inability to continue financial support of Greece as a postwar bulwark against the further spread of Soviet dominance.

Congressional leaders were reported to have received an estimate at the White House that taking over British commitments would involve possibly \$250,000,000 in relief outlays and credits this year.

Marshall's statement was preceded by a proposal from Senator Pepper (D-Pa.) that the United States refer the Greek problem to the United Nations. Another Pepper said, might be interpreted as an "imperialistic move" aimed at Soviet Russia.

"If we are going to carry on an undeclared war at all the crucial points of the world there is no hope for peace," he told reporters.

Autographed Football Shown to Scout Troop

A football with the signatures of all the players of 1946 Army football team on it was shown to members of Scout Troop 7, of St. Charles Memorial Methodist church by Ronald Frederick, patrol leader, who won it at the Father and Son program the past Saturday night.

Raymond Strichter Jr., assistant scoutmaster, instructed the boys in tracking and then introduced a tracking game which was later played.

Scoutmaster Raymond Strichter demonstrated various knots, and showed the members another game which made use of the training.

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'Ford High Juniors Card Annual Play

"The Life of the Party" will be presented by Royersford High school juniors as the annual class play Friday and Saturday nights, March 28 and 29, in the auditorium of the high school.

Miss Jacqueline Clark is directing the cast of 17 players, comprising the leads, taken by John Grant, Finkbinder and Dolores Barnes, and the following others: Theresa Alexander, Molly Mallard, Jean and William Miller, Elwood Place, Polly Heldenbrand, Marion Foster, Gloria Mosteller, Barbara Stiles, Jayne Kirlan, Otto Roessler, Jack Miles, Eddie Dreibeis, Richard Wells and Doris Moyer.

Friendship Company Accepts Seven Members

Royersford Friendship Fire company conducted a routine monthly meeting last night. Seven new members were elected and ten propositions for membership were received. Four fire alarms were reported for the past month.

William James was appointed to the fire police and Benjamin Pennypacker was named chairman of the festival committee. The annual festival was arranged for Friday and Saturday, June 13 and 14.

The purchase of uniforms for the softball team was authorized and plans were made for a minstrel show to be given by the parade and uniform committee March 22.

Sportsmen to See Sound Movie Monday

A sound movie, "Clean Waters," will be shown at the next monthly meeting of Royersford Hunting and Fishing association, to be held Monday night at 8 o'clock in Friendship firehouse.

The film will be shown by Ellen A. Dietrich, State lecturer. All members and other sportsmen have been invited to attend.

President Irvin Clemens announced the release of pheasants, planned the past Sunday, has been postponed because of the weather.

A rabbit drive, also planned for a recent date, was postponed. Another rabbit drive has been arranged for Sunday, beginning at 10 a. m., at Ridge avenue and Bells Mill road, Roxborough.

Hospital Notes

Allice Maharg, Royersford, has been admitted to Phoenixville hospital. Mrs. Wilbur Baldwin and daughter, Spring City, were discharged.

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Degree Practice Planned By IOOF Lodge Tonight

Marcella Rebekah lodge of the IOOF will meet tonight at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows temple.

Applications will be received for membership, the class to receive the Rebekah degree at the next regular meeting Wednesday, March 19. Degree practice will follow lodge session tonight.

A box social has been planned by the social committee to follow the business. All attending have been asked to bring a box lunch.

BRADLEY —

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shipments, whether by Government or private agencies.

"Russia has not even deigned to give us the courtesy of a reply as to her intentions concerning the 95 American vessels which they are now using," Bradley said. "Certainly we do not intend to go to war to get them back."

In view of the Russian government's tacit refusal even to discuss the return of these ships, which probably approach 100 million dollars in value, our only alternative is to invoke economic sanctions to force their hand and require them to return this valuable property belonging to our taxpayers."

Bradley explained that because the merchant ships were used by Russia to carry goods through Japanese waters to Siberia, it was necessary for the United States to transfer full paper title to the Soviet.

He claimed, however, it was understood "between the State department and the Russian government that this title was fictitious and that the vessels would be returned or otherwise accounted for as lend-lease material."

THOMAS FEARS —

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be sold without endangering security.

The office said it has international exchange agreements with Great Britain, Belgium and some other nations to swap patents. Thus, it said, even if it did not sell patents to the public any one interested could view and copy them at libraries in London and other cities, as well as in this country.

During the 12 months ended the past June 30, the office sold 4,500,000 copies of patents.

The Russians, Thomas told the House, ordered as many as 60,000 patents at a time in their program of "tapping the inventive genius of America's industrial and military development for the benefit of the Soviet government."

Yet, since 1927, he asserted, Russia has refused to give us a single patent."

Thomas said the Russians obtained the patents by having "their front agencies" in the United States order them. On January 2, 1945, he said, a "dummy agency" known as the Four Continent Book corporation, 235 Fifth avenue, New York City, called for all patents for 1942 and part of 1943.

"They did it by having the Amtorg Trading corporation of 210 Madison avenue, New York City, official trading agency of the USSR in the United States, place orders for thousands of patents in every field," he added.

"They did it by having the Soviet purchasing commission of 210 Madison avenue, New York City, file huge orders and by having their embassy and consulate offices in the United States likewise place orders. They even had the Soviet legation in Ottawa, Canada, placing orders."

"This is a sample of how Russia uses her allies," Thomas commented. "They are mere birds to be picked clean and get nothing in return."

He suggested that Secretary of State Marshall take to the forthcoming Moscow conferences "a copy of my remarks" and "cite it as an example of the type of co-operation we are receiving from Moscow."

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TRUMAN —

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the solidarity and understanding among the American republics.

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Aleman spoke after Mr. Truman toasted him as the "perfect host and great man."

This ceremony followed a morning in which the cheering, hand-clapping capital delighted the visiting executive with a fiesta of folk dancing and singing in sunbaked national stadium.

The United States executive sat for two hours with Aleman while hundreds of Mexican boys and girls unfolded to his obvious delight ceremonies as old as Mexico itself.

President Aleman accompanied his across-the-border visitor to the United States embassy where he was guest of honor at a Truman luncheon, having played host himself at a state dinner in the national palace last night.

Before going to the fiesta to sit with an audience almost as colorful as the performers, the United States president performed two solemn functions while applauding crowds looked on with approval.

He laid a huge wreath of calla lilies and carnations at the base of the independence monument, erected as a memorial to Mexico's struggle to throw off the Spanish yoke in 1810.

From there he drove with Aleman to Chapultepec palace where he placed another wreath on the monument to Los Ninos heroes, the Mexican cadets who fell in defense of the citadel against U. S. forces in 1847.

SIGN TREATY —

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liance and mutual assistance defines the arrangements worked out between the two powers for establishing on a firm basis and within the framework of collective security as laid down by the charter of the United Nations, the reciprocal and special guarantees which they contemplate to prevent the recurrence of a German menace.

"On the occasion of the signing of this treaty, the foreign ministers of Great Britain and France expressed the hope that these guarantees will soon be completed by the conclusion of a four-power treaty laying down conditions for the disarmament and demilitarization of Germany and the methods of putting them into effect."

Reyn on route to the Moscow conference of the big four—foreign ministers' council, said before the signing:

"I think that Russia realizes that this treaty is not a western bloc but only a step in the pattern of universal peace."

"We are now realizing that peace is really individual and must be re-established that way."

"We are trying to build a durable peace, step by step, and it is better to go slower and be patient, rather than to go quickly and make mistakes."

Bidault has announced that the same treaty provisions would be offered to "the other great allies" and to The Netherlands, Belgium, Poland and Czechoslovakia. The treaty also has been described as a possible forerunner of a big four pact such as that proposed the past year by former U.S. Secretary of State James P. Byrnes to cement allied accord in relations with Germany.

High Street Crash Causes Damage to Two Autos

A two-car crash occurred on High street, between Penn and Hanover streets, at 9:15 o'clock yesterday morning. No one was injured.

Police received a report that John Naylor, of 315 South Hanover street, was operating an automobile east on High street when a car driven by William J. Walter, of West Lawn, Berks county, was backing from the curb.

Naylor told police he blew his horn but the other car continued backward and his car was struck in the right rear, causing damage to the rear and possible broken drive shaft on the Naylor car. The other car also was damaged.

BOMB WARNING CHECKED

NEW YORK, March 4 (P) — A telephone warning to the British consulate general that the office would be blown up within a half hour sent uniformed police and detectives on a fruitless, hour-long bomb search late today through the building in lower Manhattan.

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Tanker Lyons Creek Damaged by Blast

HOUSTON, Tex., March 4 (P)—A terrific explosion of gasoline fumes almost ripped the tanker Lyons Creek in two here today sending seven men to hospitals and rocking the entire ship channel area.

The blast blew a 30-foot square hole completely through the vessel, from below the water line to the deck plates and splintered a portion of City Dock No. 8, where the vessel is berthed.

None of the injured was in a critical condition, although all of them were aboard the tanker and only a few yards from the center of the blast.

The Lyons Creek, a 6000-ton tanker registered at Philadelphia, was tied up at the dock for repairs. The ship had hauled some 125,000 barrels of high octane aviation gasoline to Houston from Hull, England, where the fuel had been stored for army use during the war.

Capt. Hans Engelsen, Staten Island, N. Y., skipper of the Lyons Creek, was not aboard at the time of the blast and could not immediately estimate the damage.

The Lyons Creek lay listing at her dock tonight with fire equipment standing by against the danger of a spark touching off the 200 to 300 barrels of fuel oil coating the water.

"If that happens, it will make the first explosion look like a firecracker," acting chief George Richardson warned. Richardson said the wind and tide were backing the oil under the piers, which made it an even more serious hazard.

WEATHER —

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and north of here, but one way in places; Schuylkill road from Pottstown to Parkerford (one way in places); Route 23 (Ridge road), passable but one way in spots; Upper Lewis road same condition; Route 73 from Boyertown to Zieglerville, same condition; Route 563 from Pottstown to Pennsburg, open but dangerous; Route 83 from Elverson to Glen Moore, same shape, and Route 113 from Phoenixville to Lionville, same condition.

In addition to practically all secondary roads, the route from Glen Moore to Nantmeal was reported still blocked yesterday. Highway department apparatus is being shunted to the secondary roads and is still working on a 24-hour basis.

Pottstown's streets got the final touches yesterday as gutters were dug out and some bad crossings were cleared. W. Earl Pottger, street foreman, said last night.

He warned motorists to be careful of deep ruts at some crossroads. These were made by trucks, he said, and have since frozen solid. They would be very dangerous if struck recklessly.

W. R. Crossroads, road contractor, is still clearing Lower Pottsgrove of its burden of snow, he said.

Court Rules Against Teachers' Salary Boost

NORRISTOWN, March 4 (P)—Hopes held by the 40 teachers of Upper Merion township for salary increase were dimmed today as Judge George C. Corson, of Montgomery county court, ruled the school district can't grant raises at the present time.

The judge's opinion, given in reply to a petition for a declaratory judgment filed by the school district, said that the present economic situation doesn't constitute a state of emergency in accordance with terms of the school code.

The petition was filed by the school directors after the teachers had asked for \$300 a year increases.

SPY SUSPECT FREED

OTTAWA, March 4 (P)—Canada's 17th espionage trial came to a swift conclusion here today with the acquittal of Israel Halperin, 36, former Queen's university mathematics professor and former army major who was charged with conspiring to communicate confidential information to Russia.

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TAXI RATES —

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tion on this present application since a well-researched and fully-backed report on rates of all local cab companies might prove effective before the commission in an outright appeal for lower rates.

The council agreed with Bush and formally passed a motion to accept Harp's notification.

J. Max Oreswell, chairman of the finance committee, said that a special committee should be appointed to investigate the taxi fares. "The finance committee has enough to do already," he added. He made a motion to investigate the fares, and the motion was carried unanimously.

William Romich said that he believed the taxi companies cannot charge in excess of the PUC rates and suggested that the special committee look into the PUC rates carefully since, he averred, "I believe the taxi companies in Pottstown are charging higher than the PUC allows."

E. B. Heck spoke briefly on the old taxi zoning in Pottstown, and Harry Yerger, who said he was a taxi driver himself at one time, said that rates such as \$1 to the Firestone plant are "too much" and that he didn't believe the cab companies were charging uniform fares.

Bush then appointed a special investigating committee headed by William T. Twaddell.

The clash of personalities, which at its climax became as heated as the smoke-filled councilroom, involved Ralph Thomas, one of the borough's auditors, Wells, Borough Manager Dow I. Sears, and the entire council.

The flare-up evolved slowly, but spiritedly, and stemmed from Thomas' assertion, following submission of the 1946 auditors' report, that the borough secretary should not be allowed to cancel any tax account on his own.

"Write-offs," the auditor recommended, "should be hereafter referred to the borough solicitor and the entire council should be made cognizant of them."

Bush, in proper parliamentary procedure, suggested that possibly from now on "write-offs" be submitted to the finance committee and the solicitor.

Solicitor Wells then presented a motion in which the write-offs for 1946 be accepted.

"After all," he added, "most of those bills owed passed out of our jurisdiction under the statute of limitations, and we were lucky to get what we did."

Creswell said that he had "full confidence in Manager Sears" and he moved to accept the write-offs for 1946.

Sears spoke in his behalf, pointing out that unjust bills may be often written, and that "you can't expect to collect on them." He reminded council that with the purchase of the water company, many hundreds of bills will be written off in a year, and that to follow Thomas' suggestion would mean bringing each one before council.

Bush called for a resolution accepting the 1946 write-offs. It was carried, but Wells reminded the councilmen that to make such a resolution effective, a detailed account of each write-off must be included.

It was then that he turned to Thomas and asked if the auditors could prepare a list of write-offs for him.

Thomas retorted: "We can't find them all. The borough's records are too bad. We haven't all the sewer accounts."

Thomas recommended that the tax liens be on record at borough hall "where we could find them."

"They're intact in my office," Wells answered.

"They should be in borough hall," repeated Thomas.

"You are at liberty to see them at any time," Wells pointed out.

Creswell, chairman of the airport committee, asked the council

Slain by Intruder



A stenographer, Priscille Denny, 33, was stabbed to death in her Oakland, Calif., hotel room by a mysterious assailant. Before she died, she told police a man entered her room by the rear escape and attempted to attack her. The intruder escaped.

for authority to appoint two local appraising boards to appraise two or more possible sites for the proposed airport, according to government specifications.

Sears explained that although it was hoped that "some public-spirited appraisers might do the work for nothing," the authority should be granted with the stipulation that the council pay any costs involved.

The authority was granted by roll call, since possible outlay of funds was involved. Of the 17 councilmen present, 15 voted "Yes" and Leon Dearolf and Heck refrained from voting.

The present status of the water company purchase was explained by Wells, who commented, "We must agree that the work of the stockholders committee has been wonderful in getting all 12,500 shares in escrow."

He explained that the borough's next step would be taken sometime this week when application for purchase of the company is filed with the PUC. "I am confident they will approve the purchase," he added.

Leonard Leaf Suffers Stroke at Bank Session

President Leonard Leaf, of the National Bank of Pottstown, collapsed yesterday morning at a meeting of the bank board of directors and Dr. Barton K. Thomas was summoned.

Suffering from a stroke, Leaf was taken to his home, 171 North Hanover street, and yesterday afternoon he was removed to Pottstown hospital.

Union Official Tells Of Meeting Procedure

Gerald Schaflander, an official of the Amalgamated Shirt Workers of America, told a meeting of Local 138 last night how to better their meetings.

A program he outlined will be put into effect at the next meeting. Complaints and reports were given in the regular business session which preceded the talk.

It was announced that the local will move to new quarters. Its next meeting in April will be held in the new Singer building on King street near Franklin.

GREEK CRISIS —

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to make Korea "another Communist puppet state" through tactics of "force, bribery and exile."

The note from Athens spoke of "the decimation and debilitation of her people and the destruction of her economy through four invasions and protracted enemy occupation." It said "it is impossible to exaggerate the magnitude of the difficulties that beset" the Greeks.

Prime Minister D. Maximos and Foreign Minister C. Tsaldaris said in the note:

"The need is great. The termination of the Greek people to do all in their power to restore Greece as a self-supporting, self-respecting democracy is also great; but the destruction in Greece has been so complete as to rob the Greek people of the power to meet the situation by themselves. It is because of these circumstances that they turn to America for aid."

The note of crisis was heightened the past week by a note from Britain reportedly pleading inability to continue financial support of Greece as a postwar bulwark against the further spread of Soviet dominance.

Congressional leaders were reported to have received an estimate at the White House that taking over British commitments would involve possibly \$250,000,000 in relief outlays and credits this year.

Marshall's statement was preceded by a proposal from Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) that the United States refer the Greek problem to the United Nations. Another course, Pepper said, might be interpreted as an "imperialistic move" aimed at Soviet Russia.

"If we are going to carry on an undeclared war at all the critical points of the world there is no hope for peace," he told reporters.

Autographed Football Shown to Scout Troop

A football with the signatures of all the players of 1946 Army football team on it was shown to members of Scout Troop 7, of Searles Memorial Methodist church, by Ronald Frederick, patrol leader, who won it at the Father and Son program the past Saturday night.

Raymond Strichter Jr., assistant scoutmaster, instructed the boys in tracking and then introduced a tracking game which was later played.

Scoutmaster Raymond Strichter demonstrated various knots and showed the members another game which made use of the training.

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Pottstown Worker Fined \$150 on Two Charges

By Staff Correspondent
NORRISTOWN, March 4 — After most of the testimony had been heard, Jesse Reddick, of Norristown, who stood trial on drunken driving and hit-run charges in Criminal court today, changed his mind and entered a plea of guilty. Reddick is employed by the Firestone Tire and Rubber company at Pottstown.

Judge Corson immediately suspended a jail sentence and ordered him to pay a fine of \$150 and the costs.

He was arrested Nov. 28, the day after his automobile became involved in a collision with a car operated by Rev. E. Aaron A. Benson, of Susquehanna county, at Bridgeport.

Red Hill's Valley Grange To Be Host at Meeting

All granges of Montgomery county will be represented when the Valley Grange, of Red Hill, plays host to the quarter annual county Grange meeting Thursday.

The affair is scheduled to begin at 10:30 a. m. and the program will be devoted to home economics. It will be held in Red Hill fire hall.

Some one from each grange will speak and movies on home economics